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Echo of stone quarrying around KRS Dam

Scientists

to make impact study

Mandya, Jan. 25 (Nagiah&BCT)- A team of scientists from the Central Water and Power Research Station (CWPRS), Pune, have been permitted by Mandya District Administration to conduct trial blasts to study the impact of stone quarrying on Krishna Raja Sagar (KRS) Dam, in Mandya District. Though the trial blasts were scheduled to begin today (Jan. 25) it has been put off to Monday (Jan. 28) due to logistical reasons.

It may be recalled here that the Karnataka State Natural Disasters Monitoring Committee (KSNDMC) had recommended the Mandya District Administration to check damages and fractures in the Dam structures in the wake of high-intensity blasts in the mining areas around the Dam.

Scientific report: KSNDMC Director G.S. Srinivasa Reddy had submitted a report on Sept. 25, 2018 recommending the Mandya District Administration to take precautionary measures to control quarrying and mining activities within 15 to 20 kilometres of the KRS Dam and ensure the safety of the Dam that is the lifeline of the region, Bengaluru and Tamil Nadu. **(See SCIENTISTS on page 11)**

Holiday

*Our offices will remain closed tomorrow on account of **Republic Day**. Hence, there will be no issue of **Star of Mysore** dated **January 26, 2019.***

— Management

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By Satish Acharya

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Mysuru, Friday 25th January 2019

Toilet Talk

Whoever made the statement that the country hosts more *temples* than *toilets*, during the initial days following the call from the top brass in the government on October 2, 2014, for people to give up the time-honoured, read time-endured, open defecation in the land seems to have taken both the sublime (worshipping) and the mundane (defecation) lightly, to the chagrin of the devout and ridicule of the rest. The laudable, certainly overdue, appeal to the country's diaspora for joining hands with the administration to achieve a clean India (Swacch Bharat) unwittingly got zeroed to the point of people in all walks of life *openly* debating the issue of open defecation finally settling in unanimity for creating toilets on a national scale as it were, not minding the cost.

The media reports that followed the clarion call to rid the country of the *habit* conspicuously featuring the rural people gave the impression that might reverse the aforementioned conjectural opinion connecting temple and toilet. However, the debate seems to have cooled off with no complete picture concerning toilets.

Defecating, open or covered, has not been bestowed a place for open discussion among the land's literati, until the nation got embroiled in public debates on the demerits of the habit. Even digital technology earned an opportunity to help the matter, thanks to the designing of e-toilets, whatever it may mean. Given the feature of toilets across the United States of America namely, half-doors and no water, but tissue paper for wiping the butt clean, prompts one to remark that defecating is no big deal for the people of that country. The community in Andhra Pradesh whose members reportedly defecate about once a week must have laughed at the hullabaloo about toilet by the people.

To digress, open defecation, out in the fields, necessitating the posture of *squatting* may invite a revisit to the decision on toilets, given a recently published report based on a study that *squat* is the king of exercises. The major snag in changing over to use of toilet namely paucity of water cannot be ignored.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

The closer you are to one general election, the easier it is to predict the outcome of the next. In 2014, for example, it was easy to predict at least 275 Lok Sabha seats for the BJP in 2019. Part 2 is that the closer you get to the next general election the harder it is to predict its outcome. Would anyone like to wager some money on the number of seats the BJP will win/lose in May this year? In other words, peoples' political preferences are highly unstable. True, there is a core of stable voters. But as the number of voters grows, so does the number of unstable voters, who make a huge difference at the margin. What is astonishing is that this degree of instability would not be — and is not — tolerated in any other area. But in politics it is. *—TCA Srinivasa Raghavan in Business Standard.*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Sneeze-filled tissues to get sick !

Los Angeles: A Los Angeles startup has claimed to have sold close to a thousand sneeze-filled tissues to people who want to catch a cold virus now so they don't get sick with the same cold later.

Vaev bills itself a "wellness brand" although technically it's helping people get sick by selling them tissues that strangers with the cold have allegedly sneezed into. But who in their right mind would pay $79.99 on a germ-contaminated used tissue?

Vaev founder Oliver Niessen, 34, claims that these expensive used tissues should be viewed as alternatives to conventional medicine, in that they allow you to purposely catch a cold whenever you want, in order to decrease the risk of catching that same cold at a later date. It's basically all about choice and getting "sick on your own terms".

Woman with plastic pill pack in her throat

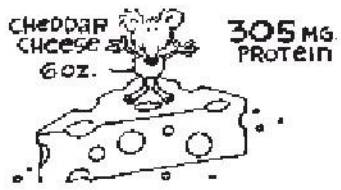
Belfast: A woman in Northern Ireland, who unknowingly swallowed a plastic painkiller packet in the middle of the night, lived with the packet stuck in her throat for 17 days.

The woman, aged about 40 years reportedly swallowed a pill in the middle of the night, without taking out its plastic packaging. The morning after the incident, she woke up with a foreign body sensation in her throat, and went straight to the hospital where she complained of discomfort and difficulty swallowing. However, the ear, nose and throat doctor at the hospital found that she was tolerating fluids, had no difficulties breathing and could mobilize her neck without feeling any pain.

Doctors were shocked to find the intact pill packet lodged in the woman's throat, but were able to remove it safely. According to the woman's own account, it had been stuck there for 17 days.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

What foods top the calcium list?



Topping the list of calcium-rich foods is plain yogurt. An 8-OZ serving contains 415 mg of Calcium. Low-Fat fruit yogurt has 345 mg. Canned Sardines come in at 325 mg. 1 1/2 OZ cheddar cheese: 305 mg. 6 OZ orange juice: 378 mg. 1/2 cup cooked spinach: 123 mg.

** Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

Lifetime Achievement Awardee

Mysuru, Jan.25 - Karnataka Science and Technology Academy (KSTA), an autonomous organisation of Department of Science and Technology, Government of Karnataka, in association with NMKRV College for Women, Jayanagar, Bengaluru has organised 11th KSTA Conference with the theme 'New Vistas in Science and Technology for Common Good' on Feb.1 and 2 at the college premises.

On the occasion, *Padma Bhushan* Dr. B.V. Sreekantan, Former Director, Tata Institute of Fundamental Research (TIFR), Bombay and Hon. Visiting Professor of National Institute of Advanced Studies (NIAS), Bengaluru, will be honoured with 'Lifetime Achievement Award' which carries a cash prize of Rs.1 lakh, a gold medal and a citation.

Bags first prize in Science Expo

Disha A. Gowda and S. Sagar, class 9 students of The Orchids Public School and PU College, Mysuru, have bagged first prize in the Science Exhibition held at Kautilya Vidyalaya under Atal Tinkering Lab. They were chosen to be the best in the category of waste management among the 17 participant schools. Disha and Sagar are seen with their mentor Sachin Rangaswamy.

Really...?

- ***The word "photography" originates from Greek, meaning drawing with light. The word camera originates from the Latin word "camera obscura" which means "dark chamber".***
- ***The first ever camera described in the history was a pin hole camera, dating back to 4th or 5th century.***
- ***35mm format in still photography was first introduced by Leica in 1925.***

The world's first photo was taken by a French scientist, Joseph Nicéphore Niépce with a camera obscura in 1826. The first 35mm SLR camera was introduced by Ihagee - the Kine Exakta 1.

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

One day Jimmy got home early from school and his mom asked, *"Why are you home so early?"* ***He answered,*** *"Because I was the only one that answered a question in my class."* ***She said,*** *"Wow, my son is a genius. What was the question?"* ***Jimmy replied,*** *"The question was 'Who threw the trash can at the Principal's head?!'"*

Today's Currency Rate

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VOICE OF THE READER

Dual policy at Sub-Registrar

Offices to issue Encumbrance Certificate

Sir,

This is with reference to obtaining Encumbrance Certificate (EC) from a Sub-Registrar's Office. The Sub-Registrar Offices in Mysuru are usually surrounded by brokers/middlemen who, when approached for getting an EC for a minimum of one year, guarantee us to get us the EC the very next day for a payment of Rs.300. He also phones up and informs us to come and collect the same once it is ready the next day.

Whereas when we go and apply for the same directly at the counter, the charge is only Rs.50 but we are asked to come after 10 days and collect the same. How is it possible for middlemen to give us the EC the very next day unless the officials are hand-in-glove with them for the same work?

On one side, the notice board at the Office advises people not to encourage middlemen but to approach directly at the counters. If the Government Department is really serious to serve the people, let them speed up the process of issuing EC the next day itself at the counters so that the middlemen could be avoided as per the notice board.

Let not the Government Department follow dual policy and encourage middlemen. To avoid middlemen entering the Sub-Registrar's Office and meddle with the files, let the employees wear identity cards while working at the counters.

—A concerned citizen on e-mail

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Natl. Workshop on Speech Sound Disorders at AIISH on Jan.28

Mysuru, Jan. 25- Department of Clinical Services, All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH), is organising a National Workshop on "Recent trends in assessment and management of speech sound disorders" on Jan. 28 at 9 am.

The workshop will be attended by 110 participants from various institutions across the country and also students and staff of AIISH. They will be educated on comprehensive evaluations and speech therapy strategies for speech sound disorders.

Dr. Rajendra Kumar, Associate Professor, Dept. of Paediatrics, Mysore Medical College and Research Institute, Mysuru will be the chief guest. Dr. M. Pushpavathi, Director, AIISH will preside. Contact Dr. N. Sreedevi, Head of the Department of Clinical Services, AIISH, on Ph: 0821-2502500/2503/2505.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Painting competition

Sri Anulakshmi Kala Seva Trust, K.R. Nagar, Mysuru, has organised a District-level painting competition as part of Republic Day celebrations on Jan.26 at 10 am in Curzon Park, near Mysore Palace. For details, contact Mob: 73496-41104 or 98869-67104.

Ursu Mandali Meet

Ursu Mandali Sangha has organised a special general body meeting at its Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar Community Hall on Tyagaraja Road here on Jan.26 at 11 am, according to Sangha President Kemparaje Urs.

All India Postal RMS staff meet

All India Postal (Railway Mail Service Wing) RMS Employees Welfare Association, Bengaluru and All India Postal Department RMS Workers SC/ST Welfare Trust, Mysuru, have organised the 2nd Divisional-level RMS SC/ST Employees Conference and CWC meeting on Jan.27 at 10 am at the Platinum Jubilee Hall, JK Grounds in city. Urilinga Peddi Mutt Seer Jnanaprakash Swamiji and MP R. Dhruvanarayan will inaugurate the meet. C.S. Prakash, Revenue Officer (Municipal), Hassan, will unveil the portrait of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar.

Free yoga classes

Patanjala Yoga Shikshana Kendra is starting its 96th batch from Jan. 30 from 6.30 am to 8.30 am daily. Those who want to join the course may contact Yogashree Prof. K. Keshavamurthy on Mob: 98459-35080 before Jan.28.

TP meeting on Jan. 28

The Mysuru Taluk Panchayat special meeting scheduled to be held on Jan. 21 has been postponed to Jan. 28 as the TP Standing Committee is yet to constituted. The meeting will be held 11 am, according to a press release.

Coaching for GATE/GRE

The Social Welfare Department will be conducting coaching classes in Mysuru for SC candidates taking up GATE/GRE competitive exams. Those interested may register their names with the Joint Director of the Department, Mysuru District, before Jan. 28. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2344661.

Nominated

'Chutuku Siri' Ratna Halappa Gowda has been nominated as the Chairperson of Sri Shivarathreeshwara Mahila Samaja with immediate effect. Accordingly, she took charge on Jan.18.

Telangana youth goes missing; car found abandoned in Madikeri

Vinay

Madikeri, Jan. 25 (PS&BCT)- Telangana-based mining businessman Maruthi Prasad's son 26-year-old Vinay who had come to Kodagu on a tour is missing since Jan 17. His car has been found abandoned in Madikeri on Jan. 19.

Vinay's father Maruthi Prasad along with a Police team from Telangana camping at Madikeri in search of Vinay. Picture right shows Vinay's car that was found abandoned in Madikeri.

According to Madikeri Police sources, Vinay, hailing from Saroornagar in Telangana, who runs a garment business, had taken loans up to Rs. 2 crore.

Saroornagar Police are investigating whether Vinay has been kidnapped. Vinay had on Jan. 17 told his mother Mallika that he was going to Bengaluru with his friends in his Skoda car (TS-07-FU-3377). After having left the house in the morning hours, Vinay called his mother and brother Vishal around 10 pm on Jan. 17 and said that he is leaving Bengaluru to Madikeri along with his friends.

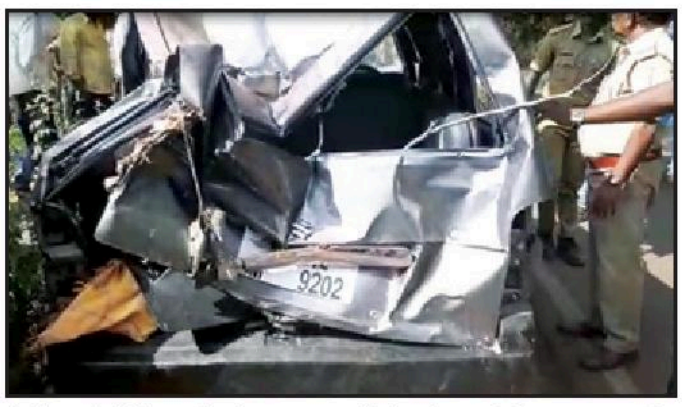
Within minutes, he called his father and informed him that he was in Hyderabad, and that he was on his way home. When he did not return home that night, Prasad called his son on the morning of Jan. 18 only to find his mobile phone switched off. Immediately, he contacted Saroornagar Police and complained to them that his son had gone missing.

Meanwhile, Biddanda Babbu Ganapathy, a resident of Virajpet Road in Madikeri, on Jan. 19 evening told the Madikeri Police that a red Skoda car had been abandoned near his house. Madikeri Police, led by Inspector Anoop Madappa, opened the unlocked car and found Vinay's cell phone and the SIM card and calls were traced to Telangana.

The Police later alerted Telangana Police based on the car's registration number and the Telangana Police, sent a team from Saroornagar limits to Madikeri. Vinay's father Maruthi Prasad too came to Madikeri in search of his son on Jan. 23. The Police are checking CCTV footages of nearby areas to trace Vinay.

Woman from Mysuru killed in car accident near Chikmagalur

Car falls into 50-feet gorge; family was on its way to Sringeri



Leelavathi

Mysuru, Jan. 25 (RK&BCT)- A woman from Mysuru was killed and nine members of her family were injured when the car in which they were travelling met with an accident yesterday morning. The car fell into a 50-feet gorge near Koppa in Chikmagalur and the family was on its way from Mysuru to Sringeri.

The deceased has been identified as Leelavathi (55), a resident of Vidyaranyapuram. All the nine injured have been admitted to Koppa hospital. Among them, Padma and Sowmya are in a critical state and have been shifted to Manipal Hospital.

According to Jayapura (near Chikmagalur) Police, the family was proceeding towards Sringeri in a Maruti Eeco car (KA 42 M 9202) and there were 10 persons including the driver in the vehicle.

The family left Mysuru on Wednesday at 10 pm as they had to reach Sringeri by morning for the *Aksharabhyasa* of Leelavathi's grandson. They had information that the *Aksharabhyasa* closes at the temple at 8 am and the family was in a hurry to reach the destination.

The family members included Leelavathi, son Ravikumar, son-in-law Umashankar, daughter-in-law Sowmya (who has been admitted to Manipal hospital in a critical condition), Sowmya's mother Padma (also at Manipal hospital), and children Sinchana, Tanush and Harshith. Harshith has sustained a fracture on his hand and he is being treated at Apollo Hospital in Mysuru.

Police said that the family, in a hurry to reach Sringeri, lost its way and were proceeding on Koppa-Jayapura Road. At around 5 am, the driver lost control over the vehicle while negotiating a curve and the vehicle plunged into a gorge. As it was dark, other travellers on the road could not hear frantic screams from the vehicle. After one-and-a-half hours of traumatic experience, the screams were heard by other motorists and the family members were rescued, the Police said. Police added that the *Aksharabhyasa* of children does not close at 8 am and instead it goes on till 1 pm.

Rider injured in accident dies at hospital

Mysuru, Jan. 25 (SBD&KS)- A moped rider, who was seriously injured when a maxi cab hit him near the Gun House on Tuesday night, died at a hospital in city on the same day.

The deceased is R. Gopalakrishna (68), a resident of Vidyanagar here.

A tailor by profession, Gopalakrishna was returning home from the shop at Nanjumalige on his TVS moped (KA-02-Q-0427) and was proceeding near the Gun House road, when a maxi cab (KA-02-AB-7389) coming from Hardinge Circle side rammed into the moped at Gun House-Nanjangud Road junction resulting in Gopalakrishna suffering serious head injuries.

He was immediately rushed to the nearby JSS Hospital and later his family members shifted him to K.R. Hospital, where the doctors after examining declared him dead, according to the Police.

KR Traffic Police, who have registered a case in this regard, are investigating.

Man commits suicide

Mysuru, Jan. 25 (SBD)- A 32-year-old man has reportedly committed suicide by hanging self at his house in Bogadi 2nd Stage here on Wednesday.

The deceased is Shivashankar, an electrician. He had accidentally fallen down a couple of years ago and had lost his memory despite being under medication, it is learnt. He is said to have committed suicide after his wife left for work. Saraswathipuram Police have registered a case and are investigating.

Move to create job opportunities...

Free Training, Placement Centres to be set up in State Universities

To be implemented from this year itself, says Higher Education Minister

Bengaluru, Jan.25 (KMS& NNN)- In a move to create job opportunities both in the Central and the State Government institutions, Training and Placement Centres will be opened in all the Universities so that the students when they pass out of colleges can seek jobs here, said Higher Education Minister G.T. Devegowda.

He was addressing a media conference here yesterday and said that it has come to the notice of the Government that students after obtaining degrees remain unemployed as they do not have proper training. To avoid this situation in the future, training and placement centres are being opened.

The appointment of Kannadigas in banking, Railways and Central Government jobs is almost negligible. To set right this anomaly, the students will be given information on Central Government Jobs and later trained. To provide jobs for technical education graduates, placement centres will be established, he said.

Reiterating that Kannadigas are being deprived of top jobs due to lack of proper training, he said that as a result people from other States are occupying all the top posts in the State Government Departments. Hence, a situation will be created where Kannadigas would also get jobs in State and Central Governments, he added.

Uniform admission, fees in State Universities

The Karnataka Government will implement a uniform admission, fees and examination process in all the Universities in the State. This process will come into effect from this year itself, said G.T. Devegowda.

There are 64 Universities in the State including Government and private ones. In private universities students pass effortlessly with merit, while in State-run Universities students are finding it difficult. This aspect has come to the notice of the Government, he said.

In the future, every University must adopt at least five villages and see that they become models not only in creating self-employment but also generate employment in the villages itself. The Universities must change their syllabus pattern and concentrate on skill-based education. Along with the courses offered today, computer training and challenges of the modern world must be a part of education, said GTD.

Pointing out that not only students but teachers must be given suitable training to face the current scenario, separate training will be given to them also. A time frame for training will be fixed for everyone. It will also be seen that every University in the State will tie up with an international university, he said.

Appointment process before March

The process of appointing staff and promotion to Assistant Professors in the Universities will be completed before March end. A proposal to this effect has been sent to the State Finance Department. The Government has also started thinking of ending the tradition of nominating people with political connections as Syndicate Members in the Universities and instead nominate people with proper educational background and with international outlook.

—G.T. Devegowda,
Higher Education Minister

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Workshop on renewable energy held

Mysuru, Jan.25 (PM&US) - Karnataka Renewable Energy Development Limited (KREDL) had organised a workshop on 'Proper utilisation of LPG, savings in electricity and use of solar energy' at the Institution of Engineers on JLB Road here yesterday.

About 50 women participated in the workshop which also featured an expo of solar products.

Inaugurating the programme, Mayor Pushpalatha Jagannath opined that switching over to solar power would bring down electricity consumption drastically. She asked people to go for renewable energy as fossil fuels were depleting fast on earth.

Delivering the keynote address, KREDL Project Engineer D.K. Dinesh Kumar said that the organisation has launched many programmes to promote renewable energy.

He pointed out that 64% of power generated today was through non-renewable energy sources and added that the percentage would be drastically reduced by 2022 supplementing that by renewable sources.

Social Activist and Karnataka Woman of the Year awardee A.R. Sudhamani was the chief guest. Mythri Mahila Koota President Latha Siddegowda, Secretary Padma Suresh, Inner Wheel Club of Mysore West President Sunita Bhaskar, Nagahamsini Bhajana Sangha President Umadevi and Ranjitha of NVS Creations were present on the occasion.

Netaji birth anniversary at Gangothri

Mysuru, Jan.25 (PM&US)- Marking the 122nd Birth Anniversary of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose, a function was organised by the Netaji Birth Centenary Committee (NBCC) of Mysore University at the Library block in Manasagangothri here recently.

The programme was a solemn low key affair in the context of the demise of Siddaganga Seer Sri Shivakumara Swamiji.

The dignitaries offered flower tributes to a portrait of Subhash Chandra Bose.

Presiding over the function, former Assembly Speaker Krishna recalled that way back in 1936, Bose had written a letter to his sister contending that India after Independence should not be declared as a full-fledged Democracy for 10 years or so until all the inequalities were properly resolved.

He opined that Bose was right and added that Bose continues to be an icon for the youth. He asserted that Chief Minister or Prime Minister has no moral right to speak on corruption and regretted that Lokayukta is powerless now. He asked everybody to take a cue from the life and service of late Shivakumara Swamiji.

Freedom fighter Dr. M.G. Krishnamurthy inaugurated the programme. University of Mysore Vice-Chancellor Prof. Hemantha Kumar inaugurated a book exhibition.

Mayor Pushpalatha Jagannath, Journalist Ravi Koti, Oriental Research Institute Director Dr. S. Shivarajappa, NBCC President Dr. B.J. Vijaya Kumar, Librarian Dr. P. Saraswathi and Kannada activist M.B. Vishwanath were present.

Republic Day: Competitions at Bal Bhavan in city tomorrow

Mysuru, Jan.25 - Marking the Republic Day celebrations, District Jawahar Bal Bhavan, Bannimantap, Mysuru, has organised various competitions for children aged between 5 and 16 years on Jan.26 at 10.30 am at its premises.

Painting, Patriotic Songs and Fancy Dress competitions will be held in three categories (UKG to 3rd Std., 4th Std. to 7th Std. and 8th Std. to 10th Std.). Cultural programmes from different schools has also has been organised on this occasion.

There is spot registration for all these competitions. For details, interested may contact Mob: 94489-14794.

No power from Jan. 25 to Jan.31

Mysuru, Jan.25 - Owing to emergency maintenance works, power supply will be disrupted from Jan. 25 to Jan. 31 between 10 am and 5.30 pm in the following villages: Hemmaragala, Kumbralli, Madralli, Srinagar, Singaripura, Gonathagala, Hedatale, Bhujangayyanahundi, Mallahalli, Hampapura, Halepura and surrounding places, according to a press release from CESC.

Chosen for 'Putani Rathna' Awards

Nisarga *Sahana* *Bhuvankumar* *Anusha* *Moulya*

Chethangowda *Keerthana* *Monika* *Rahul* *Sneha*

Mysuru, Jan.25 - Yashu Children and Cultural Academy and Arora Educational Trust will be distributing Putani Rathna, Prathibha Rathna and Mysuru Rathna awards for meritorious students at a programme organised on Jan.27 at 10.30 am at CSI Hardwicke Educational Institutions premises on JLB Road.

S. Nisarga, L. Sahana, S. Bhuvankumar, K. Chethangowda, C. Keerthana and S. Monika will be given 'Putani Rathna' awards while S. Rahul and S. Sneha will be feted with 'Mysuru Rathna'; H.G. Anusha and Moulya Venkatesh with 'Prathiba Rathna' awards.

Dr. Kannika, Central Advisor, National Book Trust of India, Union Ministry of Human Resources, New Delhi, will inaugurate the event. Kantharaj, Vice-President of State High Schools Assistant Teachers Association, Periyapatna, will be the special invitee.

Manager of the Academy Yashoda Narayan will preside.

Corporator B.V. Manjunath, Principal of Hardwicke School Sadhu Samson, Director of the Academy and Trust Amitha Subbaiah and Head Master of Hardwicke School Gurubhakthaiah will be present.

Medical check-up for Haj pilgrims

Mysuru, Jan.25- B.A.M (Bibi Ayesha Milli) Hospital, Old Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway, Bannimantap, will be offering medical services for those going on Haj pilgrimage. The medical check up includes Lab investigations, Chest X-Ray and fitness certificate at reasonable price to the pilgrims. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2497131 or 2497132, according to a press release.

Applications invited for Rural Rehabilitation Workers

Mysuru, Jan.25 - The Department of Empowerment of Senior Citizens and Differently-Abled Persons has invited applications for the post of Rural Rehabilitation Workers lying vacant in various Gram Panchayat limits of Nanjangud taluk.

The Department will provide incentives to the workers for this temporary job. The posts are vacant in GPs like Thayur, Hadya, Suttur, Rampura, Horalavadi, Shiramalli, Dasanuru, Hoskote, Kurihundi and Thumnerale.

Interested disabled candidates (men and women) hailing from their respective Gram Panchayats and aged between 18 and 45 years, SSLC pass or fail are eligible to apply in prescribed application forms available at the Office of Rehabilitation of Differently Abled Persons, Taluk Panchayat Executive Office, Nanjangud between Jan.24 and Feb.5. Candidates must apply before Feb. 6 by 5 pm. For details, contact Mob: 99646-45709.

National Voters Day celebrated in city

Over 1,000 students take part in awareness rally

Deputy Commissioner Abhiram G. Sankar and ZP CEO K. Jyothi flagging off the voters awareness rally in front of Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple this morning as MCC Commissioner K.H. Jagadeesha and others look on.

Mysuru, Jan. 25 (RKB&KS)- The District Administration, Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) and the Election Commission of India (ECI) as part of National Voters Day, had organised a rally to spread awareness about the necessity of voting and to encourage young generation towards the voting rights in city this morning. The awareness rally was flagged off by Deputy Commissioner (DC) Abhiram G. Sankar in front of Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple. Students of various colleges in city numbering more than 1,000 and carrying placards with messages such as 'My Vote My pride', 'Festival of Democracy' and 'No Voters to be Left Behind' in Kannada and English marched to K.R. Circle, where they formed a human chain and chanted slogans on voting rights and responsibilities of voters.

They then marched via Gandhi Square and culminated at the Town Hall where a programme to create awareness on voting was held. Principal District and Sessions Court Judge Vontigodi addressed the gathering and spoke about voting rights, benefits of voting and responsibility of voters. Five tongas with participants carrying placards in it also took part in the rally.

MCC Commissioner K.H. Jagadeesha, Tahsildar Ramesh Babu, ZP CEO K. Jyothi, MCC Assistant Commissioners Mahesh, Kuberappa and Veena, DC Office Administrator Nikitha, MCC Council Secretary Rangaswamy, teachers and others participated in the programme.

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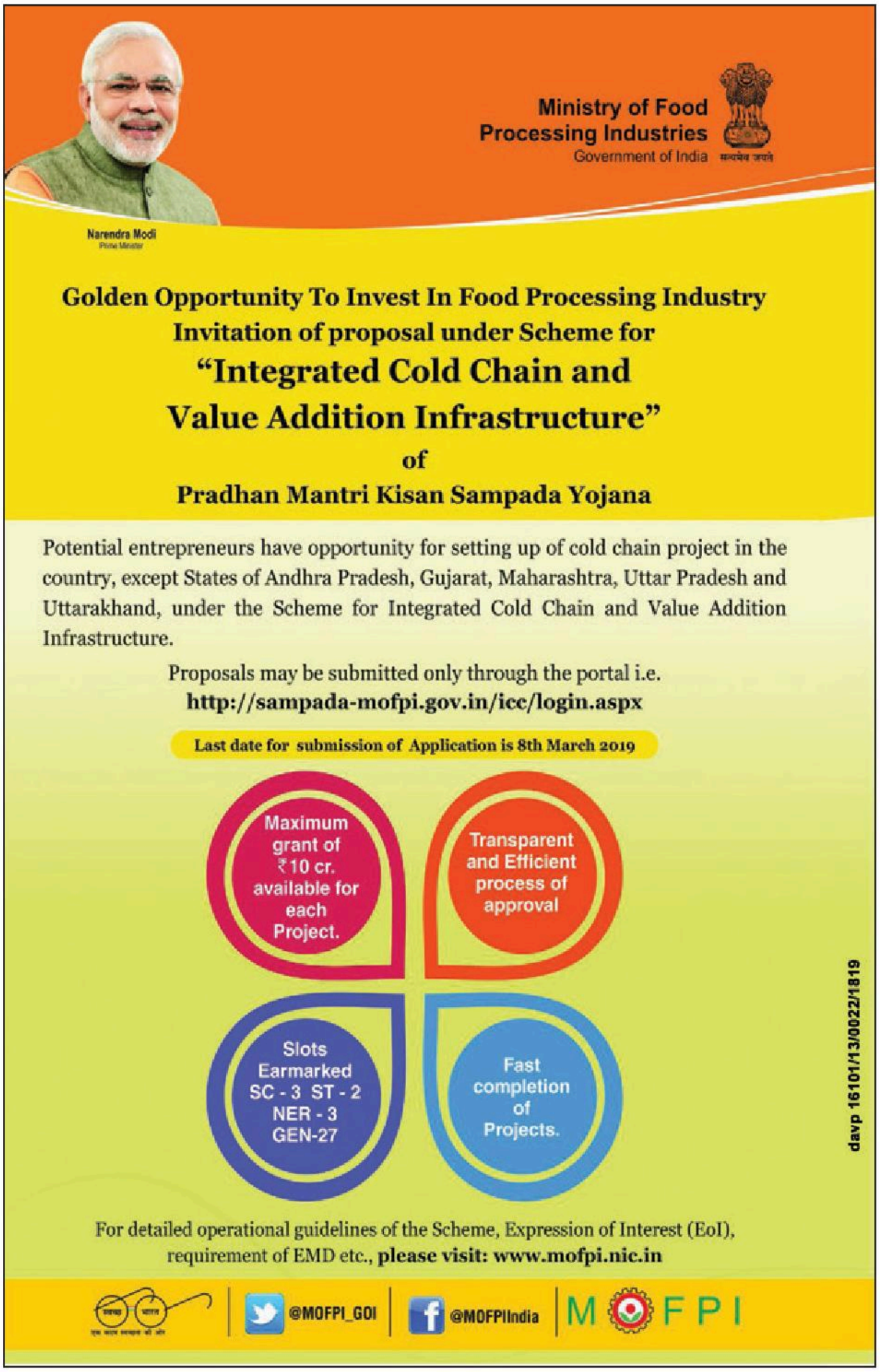
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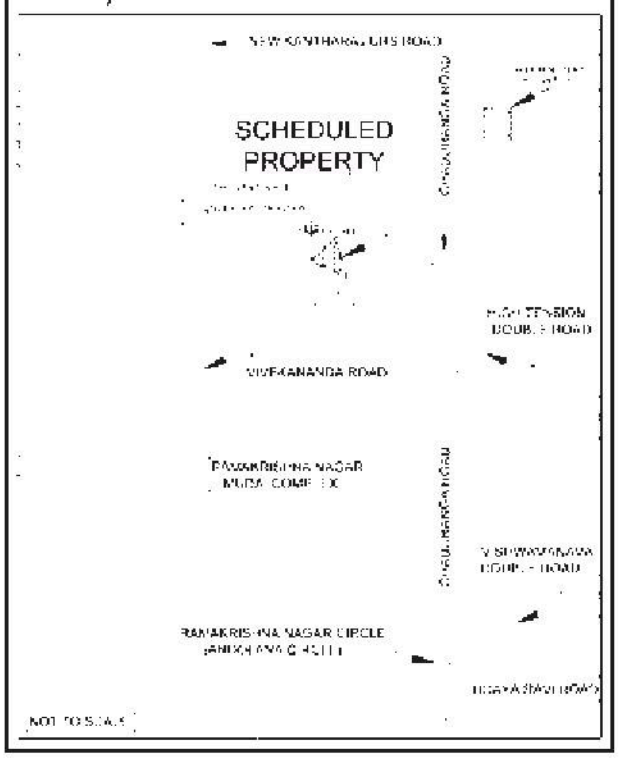

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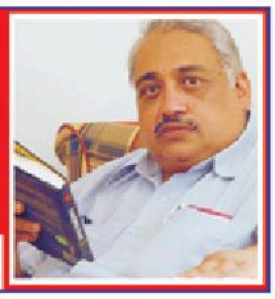


By Dr. K. Javeed Nayeem, MD

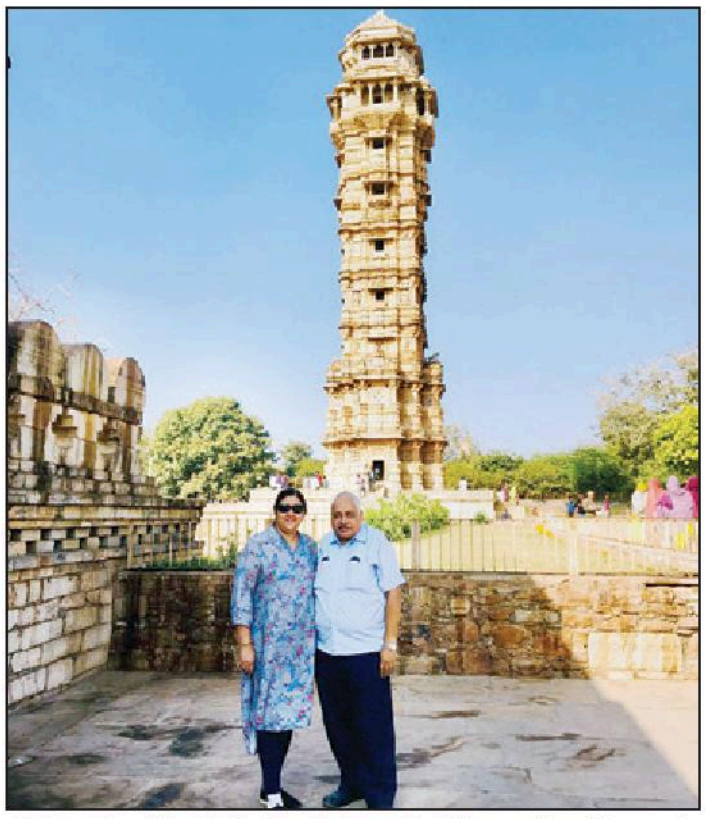
My childhood fascination for Chittor

Last Friday I wrote about my recent visit to the fortress town of Chittorgarh at Rajasthan and my very disappointing experience with the guide there who instead of guiding my family and me around the historically important sites was only hell-bent on narrating the storyline of the recently released film *Padmavat* which itself happens to be a much twisted version of an already much disputed historic fable. But it was another very interesting legend from history which had instilled in me an interest in visiting Chittor since my early childhood. And, mind you, the legendary beauty of Rani Padmini had nothing to do with it !

That was the story of **Panna** the faithful nurse which I had heard in my early childhood from my cousin **Sha Farooq Hussain** who being much elder to me, had been entrusted by my late father with the job of helping me with my lessons. He used to stay very close to the house of my maternal grandfather where I stayed for many years during my schooldays and I used to spend an hour after school with him. It was an hour that I considered very well spent because my cousin in addition to being a capable teacher was a very good story teller too with his own very unique style of narration which would almost recreate the scenes from his stories right before my eyes !

The second reason why I liked the sessions with him was because unlike most teachers he was a person who could be very easily distracted from what he was saying to what I wanted him to say ! So it was no big deal for me to get him to switch from the rather boring content of my textbooks to something more interesting like the way we can now switch television channels with the press of a button on the remote !

And, this art of switching channels was something that I had mastered very quickly in our student-teacher relationship! He too soon discovered that I was taking him for a ride almost every day with my distracting questions and so he devised a strategy where he would tell me an interesting fact from history or a historical story itself after my lessons to whet my appetite for stories. Sadly, this arrangement had to end in just two years when he got a government job as a statistical assistant.



Dr. Javeed and his wife Shabana in front of the Vijaystambh at Chittorgarh.

But while it continued I had a chance to listen to some very interesting stories and legends and the story of Panna was among the stories he read out from a book called **'Heroic tales of India'** which he had received as a prize in a literary competition. The story tells of the heroic and heart-touching sacrifice **Panna** Dai a humble nursemaid employed by Maharana Sangram Singh, one of the Mewar rulers to breastfeed and look after his infant son, Udai Singh right from his birth in the year 1522. Panna also had her own son Chandan of similar age who grew up with Udai as his playmate.

When Panna was informed by one of the Palace maids that Udai was about to be killed by his uncle Bhanvir in a desperate attempt to seize the throne she quickly bundled away the real Prince and placed her own sleeping son in the royal crib. Bhanvir barged into the bedroom soon after and killed Panna's son right before her eyes. Panna showed no emotion as the tragedy took place, only revealing later to a shocked royal family that the royal heir was safe with her! The moment I listened to this most unusual and heart-rending story with tearful eyes I decided that I should visit the historic town of Chittor as soon as possible. The story of Panna's sacrifice had tugged at my heart strings and stirred my soul so much that whenever I read in my later years about the history of Mewar and saw pictures in history books of Vijaystambh, the most iconic monument of Chittor, my childhood longing to visit Chittor would return to me. Despite having travelled far and wide I could somehow accomplish this and realise this dream only last month. **Now that I have done it, Panna will perhaps rest in peace !**

Lost and Found and Lost Forever

Two days ago I lost my childhood schoolmate **Dore Joseph Sunandaraj** in a freak motorcycle accident. We were playmates right from our primary school days and we last played cricket together on the grounds of St. Philomena's High School in the year 1969. I lost touch with him for the next forty years, not knowing where he was or what he was doing.

Somehow I did not bump into him even at any of our school or college reunions too. But while I was having dinner with my family on my Birthday last October at *Charcoals*, the poolside restaurant of *Hotel Southern Star* he suddenly materialised out of the darkness and exclaimed "Hey don't we know each other?" It was a very pleasant surprise for me and he was overjoyed when I addressed him by his full name. He told me that he had recently joined *Southern Star* as their new F&B Executive Manager after a long stint in the hospitality industry both in and out of the country.

We had a long chat during which told me that he had decided to settle down for good in Mysuru now. He ate a piece of my birthday cake and we even had a picture taken together. We parted, pledging that we would meet soon and we did too when I went to *Southern Star* once again about a fortnight ago to attend a medical seminar. Sadly, that was our last meeting. A motorcycle enthusiast, he was very fond of his good old Bullet motorbike on which he had ridden to Leh and Kargil last July. **He was planning a ride to Sikkim soon with his wife Sunitha but destiny sadly, had other plans for him and took him for a ride heavenwards instead ! May his soul rest in peace. Amen!**

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Dr. Javeed with Sunandaraj.

Free workshop from Feb. 7

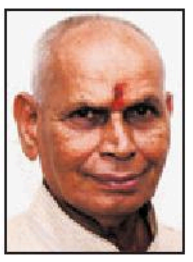
Mysuru, Jan. 25- Karnataka Science and Technology Academy has organised a free workshop on 'Environment Impact Assessment' for Post-Graduate Science, Engineering students, researchers and faculty from Feb.7 to Feb.9.

Registrations should be done before Feb.5. For details visit *www.kstacademy.in,* according to a press release.

Obituary

M.V. Ramachandra Rao

Mysuru, Jan. 25- M.V. Ramachandra Rao (85), former office-bearer of Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, Brahmana Dharma Sahaya Sabha and Halladakeri Rama Mandira, passed away on Jan. 24 in Bengaluru. He was also associated with LIC Mysuru for over 50 years.



He leaves behind one son, two daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites will be held tomorrow (Jan. 26) between 11 am and 1 pm at Banashankari crematorium in Bengaluru, according to family sources.

A.C. Kumar

A.C. Kumar (79), a retired Scientist at Central Coffee Research Station, Balehonnur and a resident of Paduvana Road in Kuvempunagar here, passed away yesterday in city.

He leaves behind his wife, two daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Funeral will be held tomorrow (Jan. 26) at 10 am at the Christian Cemetery on Mahadevapura Road in Gandhinagar here, according to family sources.

M.R. Nagaraja Shetty

Hunsur: M.R. Nagaraja Shetty (96), a businessman, social worker and a resident of the town, passed away this morning.

Founder President of Maruthi High School and MNRV School, Nagaraja Shetty had established an eye hospital and an old age home and leaves behind a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites will be held today evening, according to family sources.

"Give me CM's chamber in Vidhana Soudha on rent"

Bengaluru real estate businessman writes to Speaker

Bengaluru, Jan. 25- With most of the Karnataka Ministers and MLAs spending their time in resorts since the last one month fearing threat of being poached by rival parties, a businessman in Bengaluru has come up with a strange request to the Assembly Speaker. He has urged Speaker Ramesh Kumar to let him rent a room in Vidhana Soudha, preferably the Chief Minister's chamber.

Thirty-eight-year-old B.S. Gowda, who runs a small real estate business in Sheshadripuram, has written to the Speaker stating that he has noticed that for the past many days, CM H.D. Kumaraswamy, Opposition party leader B.S. Yeddyurappa and other Ministers' chambers have been locked.

"I am in need of a room. It would be great if you (Speaker) can allot a room that belongs to these elected representatives, which are otherwise left unused. I am ready to pay rent and advance deposit. The same can be used for farmers' loan waiver," he stated in his letter and has asked the CM's chamber in particular.

Gowda told reporters that he visits Vidhana Soudha every week. "I have noticed that these rooms are locked. We vote for these people so that they can do pro-public work. But they seem to be busy with non-public work. It looks like these leaders do not need any rooms. Instead, if they rent out their rooms, they will generate revenue that can be used for farm loans," he said.

Gowda is ready to pay Rs. 10,000 for the CM's room and Rs. 5,000 for the chambers of other Ministers. The Speaker was unavailable for comment.

K.T. Balakrishna is new City Police Commissioner

K.T. Balakrishna

Mysuru, Jan. 25 - IPS Officer K.T. Balakrishna has been appointed as the new city Police Commissioner. He replaces Dr. A. Subramanyeswara Rao who has been transferred without a posting. K.T. Balakrishna is among the four IPS Officers who got new postings by the Government on Thursday.

A 2005 reassigned batch IPS Officer, Balakrishna was serving as SP (Intelligence) at Bengaluru. Balakrishna who was recently promoted as DIG, has earlier served in Mysuru as DCP (L&O) and DCP (Crime & Traffic).

He is a native of Mysuru. Balakrishna had earlier served as SP at Gadag, Uttara Kannada and Udupi. In other transfers, P. Rajendra Prasad has been appointed as Belagavi Police Commissioner.

Rajendra Prasad too had earlier served as a DCP at Mysuru and as Kodagu SP.

He was serving as SP (Wireless) at Bengaluru, before he was recently promoted as DIGP. B.S. Lokesh Kumar who was serving as SP at KGF has been promoted to DIG grade and posted as Hubli-Dharwad Police Commissioner. R. Ramesh, an IPS Officer of the 2005 reassigned batch, who was currently serving as Commandant, Home Guards and Civil Defence Academy, Bengaluru, has been promoted and posted as DIGP (Planning and Modernisation) at Bengaluru.

H.D. Kote girl for PM Modi's Pariksha Pe Charcha

G. Rakshitha

H.D. Kote, Jan. 25 (Manju) - A girl from the taluk has been selected to take part in Prime Minister Narendra Modi's 'Pariksha Pe Charcha' programme for high school students.

G. Rakshitha, a ninth standard student of Adarsha School at Gaddige Circle in H.D. Kote town has got the invite to take part in the programme, which involves an interaction with the Prime Minister.

Rakshitha has been selected for her skills in making science models, dance, essay writing, compering, etc.

Rakshitha is the daughter of teacher couple Govindaraju and Pramila.

Rakshitha is one among the 30 school students of the State who have been selected for *Pariksha Pe Charcha* programme, which is scheduled to take place at New Delhi on Jan. 29.

NRN as alumnus keen to take NIE to global standards

Narayana Murthy

Bengaluru, Jan. 25 (KMS)- National Institute of Engineering (NIE), one of the oldest engineering colleges in city and State, will soon be upgraded to world standards with the assistance of Infosys Founder N.R. Narayana Murthy (NRN), the alumnus of the institute, who is going to provide the necessary infrastructure.

Murthy met Deputy Chief Minister Dr. G. Parameshwara in this regard and not only discussed the issue with him but also assured him that as soon as the Government takes a decision, the necessary cost will be remitted.

Speaking to the media, Dr. Parameshwara, who also holds the Information Technology and Biotechnology portfolio said that Naryana Murthy who had studied in the same institution and was keen on taking it to international standards had prepared a blue print for the same.

According to sources, Murthy who passed out of NIE with a degree in Electrical Engineering in 1966 with first rank, has donated Rs. 5 crore for setting up the 'School of Electrical Sciences' at the Institute.

He has also donated Rs. 1 crore for the Ladies Hostel 'Yeshvika' in NIE in the memory of his Guru late K.V. Narayan, Head Master of Sarada Vilas High School.

The sources also revealed that the Institute has acquired 50 acres of land in Kadakola from KIADB (Karnataka Industrial Area Development Board) last year where NRN is keen to set up NIE University.

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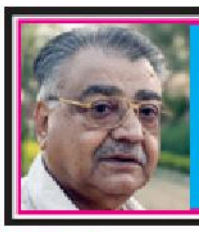


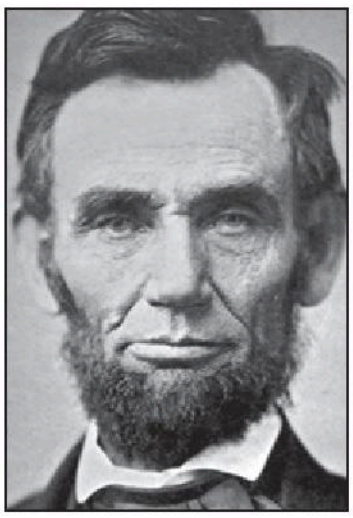
Abracadabra... Abracadabra...

By K.B. Ganapathy

Strange desire to seek power by our politicians may lead to people losing liberty

Declaration of 1975 Emergency by Indira Gandhi is an example

Francis Bacon



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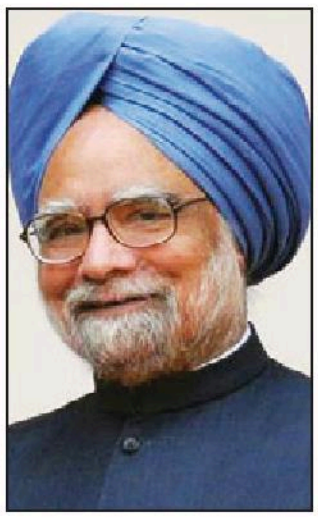

Dr. Manmohan Singh

It is a strange desire, to seek power, and to lose liberty; or to seek power over others, and to lose power over a man's self. — **Francis Bacon**

It is a strange desire, to seek power, and to lose liberty; or to seek power over others, and to lose power over a man's self. Francis Bacon said this famously and the truth of what he said is seen in Indian Democracy since 1975 when Emergency was imposed on an unsuspecting people of this country.

However, I was further convinced of the truism in what Francis Bacon said after seeing the Hindi film *'Accidental Prime Minister'* last evening. Dr. Manmohan Singh, an economist and a financial genius, who had held may top jobs, was made a puppet. **By seeking power as Prime Minister, he lost power over his own self.**

The happenings in Indian politics since 2004 could be considered as an affirmation of what Francis Bacon had said. I also remember another famous statement made by Abraham Lincoln, the American President, who saved America from being split as North and South on the issue of abolition of slavery. He said, *"Nearly all men can stand adversity, but if you want to test a man's character, give him power."*

We have seen this since the time Indira Gandhi became the Prime Minister. I would also add, "If you want to test a man's character, give him money also." If today a rowdy-sheeter could be given a ticket to contest an election and enable him to win the election, we can well imagine the rot that has set into our **electoral politics** and we find what havoc can be played on the society by those who hold control of the deadly combination of **money and power.** The simplest example is the incident that took place at Eagleton Resort between two MLAs of the same political party.

In developed countries, all the elected representatives are known as **law-makers.** That is, to introduce new laws as per the requirement for efficient administration of a country or a Province or a State. The law-makers also have a responsibility to amend the existing law as per the need of the hour or the changing social order and practice. Unfortunately in the present Indian Democracy, these law-makers — MLAs, MLCs, MPs and Ministers — are more concerned about helping their own cronies in business, industry or government jobs than looking into the best laws to govern the country or the State. **In India, the politician has so formulated the laws relating to elections and his rights that, once elected, he is unchallenged for the period of his term.**

As a wag said, a politician can fight elections from two seats and even if he is convicted, by going in appeal under bail. But if you are in jail, you are denied of your right to vote. The politician can fight election even when he is in jail with an appeal pending. George Fernandes won the Parliamentary election while in jail. Look at the paradox, one has to be a graduate or must have requisite qualification to get a job, but if you are a politician and illiterate, you can become a law-maker and even a Minister.

The system relating to election under our Democracy needs to be changed in the next 10 years rather radically, borrowing ideas from the Western, developed democratic countries where checks and balances are not only provided for but also complied with.

The words of Francis Bacon, *"It is a strange desire, to seek power, and to lose liberty"* keeps ringing in my ears when I see the happenings in some of the countries in the world. For example, India of today. When everything looked hunky-dory for Indian Democracy when UPA, under Congress was ruling from 2004 to 2014 with Dr. Manmohan Singh as the Prime Minister for two terms (ten years), suddenly, the Congress party and its allies lost power to NDA led by BJP in 2014.

Surprisingly, Congress (UPA) could not bear to suffer the loss of power, so they went on a rampage against the BJP (NDA) without concern for the **democratic values.** As a result, they began to find fault with the new government so much so it came up with the allegation against the BJP of practicing **'intolerance'** and then it was followed by **'award-wapsi'** campaign to register their protest against BJP government. But ironically, all those awards were given to those who supported Congress and Leftist parties, exceptions apart.

Then came the next allegation of hacking Electronic Voting Machine (EVM), which was alleged to be the cause for BJP's victory in 2014. If the Congress won the election there was nothing wrong with EVM, only when it loses, the complaint is heard all over. It did not occur to Congress when it won the 2004 election and also 2009 where EVMs were used! Did anyone hack the EVMs to help Congress? **This trend may lead to a dangerous situation where dubious methods are used to seek power and may end up with the people of the country losing personal liberty.**

I am reminded of what happened in Egypt during the Arab Spring following the 2011 Egyptian revolution which ousted President Hosni Mubarak. Mohamed Morsi of Muslim Brotherhood won the Egypt's Presidential election. Morsi however lasted little over a year following a military coup in July 2013. Why did it happen? **It was a strange desire on the part of Muslim Brotherhood led by Mohamed Morsi to seek power during the Arab Spring. But sadly, his very success in getting power led to losing of liberty not only for himself but also for the people of Egypt.**

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Birth anniversary of Field Marshal in city on Jan. 28

Mysuru, Jan. 25- Kodava Samaja, Mysuru, will be celebrating the 120th Birth Anniversary of **Field Marshal Kodandera M. Cariappa** on Jan. 28 (Monday) at Field Marshal K.M. Cariappa Circle (Metropole Circle) at 9 am.

Floral tribute will be offered to the life-size flex of Field Marshal Cariappa. Defence personnel, ex-Army personnel and general public may attend in large numbers, according to a press release from Kodava Samaja Secretary Malachira M. Ponnappa.

Annual Day Gnanotsav-2019

Mysuru, Jan. 25- Gnanodaya Public School and PU College is celebrating the 11th Annual Day 'Gnanotsav-2019' at its school premises on Jan. 26 at 5.30 pm.

Former Minister Tanveer Sait will be the chief guest.

Dr. C.P. Ramasesh, former Librarian, Mysore University, will be the guest of honour. Secretary of Gnanodaya Public School Dr. S. Rajendra will preside over the event with the theme "Unity in Diversity."

JSS College announces results of PG courses

Mysuru, Jan. 25- JSS College of Arts, Commerce and Science (Autonomous), B.N. Road, Mysuru, has announced the results of Post-Graduate semester examinations held in December 2018. The results are available in the College website: *http://www.jsscacs.edu.in* or *www.result.jsscacs.edu.in.* Last date to avail photocopy of answer sheets is Jan.28 and last date for challenge valuation is Jan.31, according to a press release from the College Principal.

Urdu Dani exam on Jan. 27

Mysuru, Jan. 25- Urdu Dani, Zaban Dani and Insha exam will be conducted by Idara Adbiyat Urdu Hyderabad on Jan. 27 (Sunday) at 9.30 am.

Students who have registered may collect their admission tickets at their following centres — MEWA Centre, Shantinagar; Hilal School, Ghousianagar; Salehat Women Welfare Centre, Bannimantap and Alnoor Madrasa at Kesare. For details contact Nyamathulla Khan, Organiser on Mob: 88925-06099, according to a press release.

Monkey disease: High alert sounded in H.D. Kote

Mysuru, Jan. 25 (RK,MTY&BCT)- Following reports of the spread of Kyasanur Forest Disease (KFD), commonly called monkey disease, in Manandavadi town in Kerala, a high health alert has been sounded at H.D. Kote that borders Kerala. The District Health Department has started vaccination process especially in the tribal hamlets. Vaccination process has also begun at many tribal settlements in Bandipur Tiger Reserve.

The deadly disease has claimed more than five lives in Shivamogga district. The death of 45-year-old Chandra and 34-year-old Bhaskar, both tribals in H.D. Kote had triggered rumours of the monkey disease spreading. However, the district health officials have dismissed such reports. Speaking to *Star of Mysore* this morning, District Health Officer Dr. B. Basavaraju said that both Bhaskar and Chandra were addicted to alcohol and had died due to the consumption of spurious liquor and kidney failure.

Meanwhile, Suresh and Sureshaiah, two tribals from Manandawadi in Kerala had married two women from Thimmana Hosahalli tribal settlement. Both Suresh and Sureshaiah had symptoms of monkey disease and they had stayed briefly in Thimmana Hosahalli triggering fears of an outbreak among the residents. This prompted Manandawadi Health Officer Dr. Suman to visit H.D. Kote to see if the disease had spread there.

DHO Dr. Basavaraju too visited H.D. Kote and surveyed the area and found no symptoms and there was no monkey death reported from H.D. Kote Taluk. Along with Dr. Basavaraju, a Surveillance Officer, Animal Husbandry Department officials and Forest Department officers visited the taluk. "While Suresh has been discharged from Kozhikode hospital and is under severe medication, Sureshaiah is being treated at a hospital in Manandawadi. There is no incidence of the disease in H.D. Kote and there is no need to panic," he said.

A team of entomologists have been stationed in H.D. Kote and an ambulance has been kept on waiting at D.B. Kuppe to ensure timely treatment for suspected victims of the disease. "We have also directed hospitals across the taluk and medical institutions in Manandavadi to collect blood samples of those complaining of known symptoms of the disease such as fever and exhaustion," Basavaraju added.

Health officials had already carried out a vaccination drive in most of the villages in the taluk and a booster dose would be administered soon. All hospitals had been given strict instructions on the procedure to be followed in the event of people complaining of fever.

To pre-empt the spread of the disease, Forest officials have begun vaccinating the tribals living along the border of Bandipur Tiger Reserve.

SC doesn't hold 10 per cent quota but will examine validity

New Delhi, Jan. 25 (UNI)- The Supreme Court (SC) this morning decided to examine the Centre's decision to grant 10 per cent reservation in jobs and education to poor candidates belonging to general category.

A Bench comprising Chief Justice Ranjan Gogoi and Justice Sanjiv Khanna issued notice to the Central Government on various petitions challenging the validity of the 103 Constitutional Amendment Act which paved the way for grant of quota to poor belonging to general category class.

"We are examining the matter and hence issuing notice returnable within four weeks," the Bench said. The Bench, however, did not stay the operation of the Centre's decision granting quota to the poor in the general category.

In poll year, the Narendra Modi government had come out with the Constitutional Amendment Bill giving quota benefits to the poor among general category candidates. The petitions were filed by parties including organisations like Janhit Abhiyan and Youth for Equality challenging the Centre's decision.

The petitions say the top Court's Mandal Commission verdict in 1992 had "specifically stated that the economic criteria cannot be the sole basis for reservation under the Constitution." They also argue that in 2006, the Court said quota cannot exceed 50 per cent, so the new 10 per cent quota is "unconstitutional and should be struck down".

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Scientists to make impact study

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Following the KSNDMC report, Mandya Deputy Commissioner N. Manjushree banned mining, stone quarrying and all other allied activities in 20-kilometre radius around the KRS Dam.

Along with the KSNDMC, various organisations had urged the government to conduct a study, by a competent organisation, the CWPRS was requested to conduct a trial. The team was to conduct a trial blasts on the north side of the Dam, for five days from today. As a precaution, the district administration had restricted the movement of people and vehicles near the Dam during the test.

Blasts postponed

The trial blasts, however, was postponed to Jan. 28 due to logistical problems. Cauvery Neeravari Nigam Limited (CNNL) officials said the trial is typically performed over three to five days and CWPRS officials have been permitted by the Mandya DC to carry out the blasts. But CNNL officials said that as the airlines refused to transport the team's equipment, they will have to reach Mandya by train from Pune.

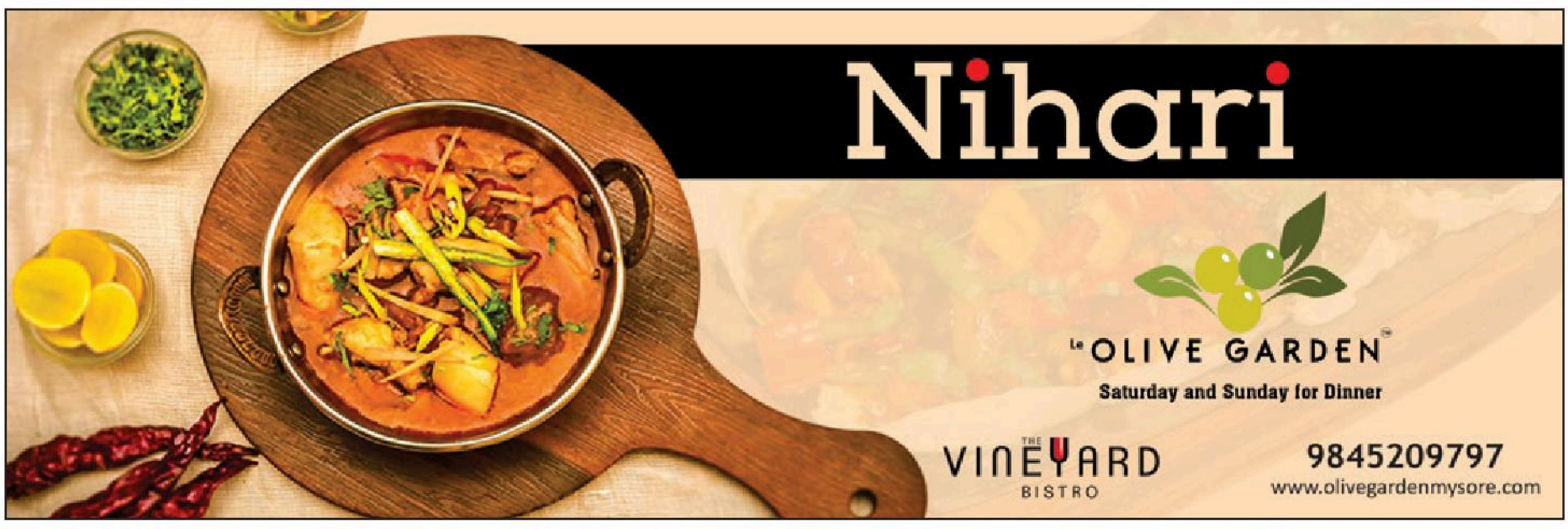
Since Republic Day falls tomorrow, it was decided to postpone the trial and the team will reach Mandya on Sunday (Jan. 27). The trial blasts will begin from Monday, the officials said. The team will investigate the strange sound which rocked KRS Dam area in November last year and will analyse the rock structure and the impact of blasting on them.

Complaint against blasts

Meanwhile, RTI activist K.R. Ravindra has lodged a complaint with the Forest Department against the District Administration, saying that the test explosion should be conducted only after getting necessary permission from the Union Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change. The blasts should not be allowed to be conduct in sensitive zones in the forest and near the bird sanctuary, he said.

He has raised suspicion over the order for another study while KSNDMC has already given a report that mining activity will affect the Dam.

Deputy Commissioner Manjushree, however, said that the District Administration has given permission for the study in the interest of the Dam and there was no need for an approval from the Union Ministry to conduct a trial.



STAR INTERVIEW

"There is shortage of teachers not only in India but all over the world"

Says Educationist Dr. K.P. Gopalkrishna, Chairman & Founder-Principal, NPS Group of Institutions

By N. Niranjan Nikam

Dr. K.P. Gopalkrishna with daughter Dr. Bindu Hari, Vice-Chairperson, NPS Institutions.

[Continued from yesterday]

SOM: You are running nine schools including the one in Mysuru, Chennai and Singapore. What is the mantra?

K.P. Gopalkrishna: At present we have stopped all the expansions even though many entrepreneurs are approaching us to give the consultancy to them. Because of too much of rules which they have framed, State has to give recognition, affiliation and NoCs. Fulfilling all these conditions is a Herculean task. (However, in NPS International, Singapore, we have complete autonomy). Therefore, we do not know where our directions for a good education system are. Again language issue is there. Now, in States like Kerala or Tamil Nadu or Karnataka they have imposed language study and made it compulsory. Bengaluru being a global city, people are asking, I am here for three or four years, I am then getting out of Bengaluru. If you impose the language, what am I to do? Therefore, I will go to some other place. This is again negatively affecting our system of education which has to be more liberal. However, the present Chief Minister has declared that 1,000 English Medium Schools are going to be started, it is a very good move.

SOM: Right To Education (RTE) is a concept promoted by the Government to see that children from poorer sections also have an opportunity to study in elite schools. What is your view?

K.P. Gopalkrishna: My view of RTE is very complex. I will say that the intention of that law enacted by Kapil Sibal without giving an opportunity in the Parliament for discussion, it is good that underprivileged children are getting education in good private institutions. However, this directly shows the failure of government institutions. And when I talk about government institutions, the best teachers are in Government Schools, as they are well-educated and are recruited by various norms by Public Service Commission. In spite of these qualified young teachers in Government Schools, I always think why they are not progressing. I have one answer and that is: the poorest infrastructure.

When these young teachers go to Government Schools, they have lot of vision, ambition to do something. But after going to these institutions, they don't find the classrooms, good furniture, toilets for girls and boys, they don't find playground (occupied by all others). This has probably resulted in the failure of Government institutions and encouraging private ones. But still I have to say that the primary school teachers in private schools are not the good ones but secondary ones.

Therefore, coming further, RTE is being controlled by the activists. Activism is a new profession coming to India. As our Chief Minister put it in the Assembly, 'this is all bogus.' And the Government is spending for all the Government and aided schools and again they are spending huge money for RTE students, which is about Rs. 1,200 crore in Karnataka. Where do they find the money? And, again, there is lot of unethical practices at the admission stage. Therefore, it is a failure.

Any country to improve, the private talents are required to be successful. For example, when our IT was opened, that sector could progress very well. This is a typical example where decontrolling everything leads to progress because the controls in education system is crippling the whole aspects of education. And who are getting seats in the RTE, it is not the underprivileged children. They are coming under the Rs. 8 lakh category, which was always there earlier. How could you consider persons getting Rs. 8 lakh as underprivileged? That is my question. This is what happens in our society. Most of the RTE students' parents are bringing them on motorcycles and cars to schools. Only the rich is benefited again, not the real underprivileged. Another aspect is that in private schools there is social incompatibility among these two groups.

SOM: But that was the purpose of RTE to bring these two groups together.

K.P. Gopalkrishna: But it will not work. The government, like in America and UK, should give the best education as they are spending for it. Why do they want to give Rs.1,200 crore to RTE students, the same amount could be used to improve Government Schools' infrastructure.

SOM: One of the challenges faced by all Schools is the retaining of teachers especially because there are so many schools that are mushrooming. How do you manage this challenge?

K.P. Gopalkrishna: There is shortage of teachers not only in India but all over the world. Good talents are going for engineering, medicine, management and all that. You are aware that they get a better package of salary. What do teachers get? When I started the school in 1959, the primary school teacher's salary was Rs.67 and high school was Rs.93. Today the Government Schools salary starts with Rs.20,000, the high school about Rs.35,000, PUC good, may be about Rs.80,000. The doctors and IT group, they are much higher to start with. I call the teachers' salary peanuts. Therefore, we are not attracting good talents. Everywhere rejected people are taking up the teachers' positions. This is one of the reasons of failure of education in not getting teachers. But we are trying to change. The Seventh Pay Commission has made the salary-level attractive. They get about Rs. 7 lakh per annum today.

Today, every street within a distance of two kms has two schools on either side of the footpath. There are a thousand houses in the vicinity and at least there will be 30 per cent school-going children in them for whom you need a school. This factor everybody is forgetting. Unless the private enterprises come into education sector but now they are very reluctant after the RTE, hence it has to be relaxed. Because there is some corruption in private institutions, you cannot take it that every private institution is corrupt. Is corruption not there in the Government Department at every level?

SOM: Spare the rod and spoil the child is the old English maxim which these days does not or cannot work. How strict should one be with the children, especially during the adolescent years as all senses and sensibilities are developing at this stage?

K.P. Gopalkrishna: With the technology children are becoming more and more aware of their life, of their right. When that is the case these punishments are not accepted. And it is for the teachers to develop techniques to have good counselling and make them realise their responsibilities that will help. That is the only thing we can do. Otherwise the Education Act prohibits the corporal punishment and teachers will go to jail. Therefore, they go to the class, teach and come away. They do not want to take any initiative. I strongly feel that sometimes a bit of punishment is required to make the students realise what they have done is wrong, it is a mistake, a 'positive punishment' I call it.

SOM: Having set up the school in the cultural capital of the State, what has been your experience in Mysuru?

K.P. Gopalkrishna: I am extremely happy I could give an insight to other institutions as to how NPS is working.

SOM: How many years since NPS was set up here?

K.P. Gopalkrishna: Six years, but our experience is 60 years. That community of Mysuru accepted the NPS culture, approach, our curriculum and activities is a great satisfaction. But we may not be able to admit a large number of students as our strength is 30 in a class. We will have three sections ultimately. Now it is only two sections from Kinder Garten to twelfth and the total strength is 950.

SOM: What is your view on current education system?

Dr. Bindu Hari: These days, as you know, the children's attention span is dropping rapidly. They lack concentration and these are complaints we hear from our own teachers. How does one ensure a classroom is engaging enough for the learner and therefore you use a variety of strategies in order to help regain concentration. That is what also encourages collaboration. Education is changing and it has to change. Considering the large number of professions that are in existence today is going to disappear tomorrow, given robotics and artificial intelligence, a skills-based curriculum is far more important for children than just acquisition of knowledge. Because knowledge is available and all you have to do is just Google. But how do you apply that knowledge, analyse, think critically, that is where the present day teacher comes in where she facilitates the knowledge and at least till grade eight, it is very important that teachers do it.

While it is fine to focus on exams, it should be a very skill-based curriculum. So, when you read articles about how only 30 per cent of Indian students are employable in industry, what does it say about higher, tertiary and social education? Where does the flaw lie? What do the schools need to do going forward in order to empower the students that is really the challenge. There is digital illiteracy. We call the next generation digital natives; we are all digital immigrants as there is a yawning gap that is created. How do we bridge the gap? The answer lies in EDUCATION.

Women's contributions for growth of Kannada literature remembered

Mayor Pushpalatha Jagannath seen inaugurating the District-level Mahila Kannada Sahitya Sammelana, organised by District Kannada Sahitya Parishat (KSP) at Maharani's Arts College for Women, in city this morning as (from left) Sanskrit University Vice Chancellor Dr. Padma Shekar, Sammelana President Dr. Y.C. Bhanumathi, Zilla Panchayat in-charge President S.R. Nandeesh, MLA Tanveer Sait, District KSP President Y.D. Rajanna and Maharani's College Principal Prof. C.H. Prakash and others look on.

Mysuru, Jan. 25(MTY&SR)- The first district-level, day-long, Mahila Kannada Sahitya Sammelana, organised by District Kannada Sahitya Parishat (KSP) began at Maharani's Arts College for Women, in city this morning.

Sammelana President Dr. Y.C. Bhanumathi was brought to the venue along with KSP President Y.D. Rajanna and College Principal Prof. C.H. Prakash, in a specially decorated vehicle after taking out a procession on the main streets of the city.

The procession that began from Metropole Circle, passed through Shivarampet, Dufferin Clock Tower, D. Devaraja Urs Road and culminated at Maharani's Arts College for Women. Various folk troupes, Kannada fans, activists and women writers were part of the procession.

The participation of girl students attired in traditional dress, waving Kannada flags along the procession route was the major attraction.

Speaking after inaugurating the programme, Mayor Pushpalatha Jagannath said that it was nice to see more number of women contributing for the growth of Kannada literature, besides their involvement in protection of culture and tradition of the land.

She appealed all women and girl students to vote compulsorily in the upcoming Lok Sabha and other elections as it is a must for the success of democracy.

The Mayor also asked the students to download the Swachata App launched by Union Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs to post their grievances and vote in Swachha Survekshan Abhiyan, as such steps are necessary for Mysuru to bag the top Cleanest City award.

Speaking after releasing the book 'Bhavantharala' on the occasion, MLA Tanveer Sait appreciated the organisers for organising Women's Literary meet which goes a long way in empowerment of women.

He said that the State Government has taken a lot of Kannada promotion measures like strengthening Kannada medium schools across the State.

The State Government has also decided to maintain status quo on 'Naada Geethe 'Jayabharatha Jananiya Thanujathe' without making any changes in the song, besides asking IAS officers working in the State to compulsorily study Kannada for effective implementation of the language.

He said the State Government will also encourage the study of English in Kannada medium school as English is must to compete at national and international level and also to get jobs.

Earlier, participants took oath to vote compulsorily in elections on account of 'National Voters' Day' prior to the inauguration.

Officials of Mysuru City Corporation were also given demonstration on downloading the Swachhata App as well as voting for Mysuru to get the Cleanest City award.

A festive atmosphere prevailed in the premises of Maharanis Arts College. The venue and the premises were decorated with mango leaves, special flowers, Kannada buntings and flags.

Zilla Panchayat in-charge President S R. Nandeesh, District Kannada Sahitya Parsihath former presidents Maddikere Gopal and Chandrashekhar, faculty of Maharani's Arts College Dr. Sujatha Akki, Prof. Basavaraj, theatre personality Rajashekhar Kadamba and others were present.

A section of audience at the Mahila Kannada Sahitya Sammelana.

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Taruna Bharathi Music Festival at Ganabharathi on Jan.31, Feb. 1

Mysuru, Jan. 25 - Ganabharathi has organised Taruna Bharathi Music Festival, a programme for young artistes, on Jan.31 and Feb. 1 at its premises in Kuvempunagar. There will be two concerts on each day from 6 pm to 9 pm.

On Jan. 31, there will be two Karnatak vocal concerts by Vidu. Anjali Sriram (6 pm to 7.30 pm) and Vidu. Bhargavi Venkatram (7.30 pm to 9 pm). They will be accompanied by Vid. Pradeshaachar and Vid. Vishnuvardhana on violin and mridanga respectively.

On Feb.1 (6 pm to 7.30 pm), there will be a Saxophone recital by Vid. P. Guruprasad accompanied by Vidu. Yashaswi on violin and Vid. Vikram Bharadwaj on mridanga. From 7.30pm to 9 pm, there will be a Karnatak vocal by Vidu. Pavani Kashinath accompanied by Vid. Keshav on violin and Vid. Vikram Bharadwaj on mridanga.

Bhargavi Venkatram: Hailing from a music family, she is the daughter of Vid. H. K. Venkatram and Vidu. Triveni Saralaya. Having started her learning from her parents, currently she is under the tutelage of T.M. Krishna. She has performed at Naradagana Sabha, Shanmukhananda Hall and various other Sabhas. She has bagged Prathibhakankshi and Kishora Prathibhe Awards.

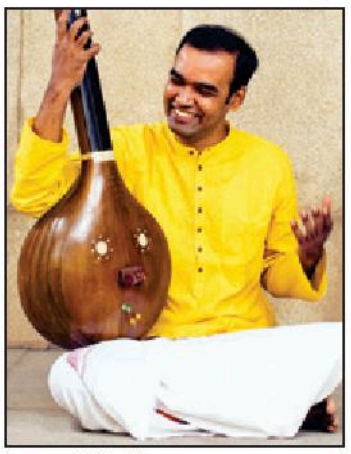
Anjali Sriram: One of the promising young artistes, she is a disciple of Vidu. Nagavalli Nagaraj and Vidu. M.S. Sheela. She has performed at Karnataka Ganakala Parishath, JSS Sangeetha Sabha, Swaramurthy V.N. Rao Trust and other Sabhas. She has many CDs to her credit and is a graded artiste of classical and light classical music of AIR. She is also a recipient of Swarnakalashree Award.

P. Guruprasad: Hailing from a music family, he is the son of Saxophone artiste Vid. R. Prabhakara and grandson of Vid. C. Rudaraiah. Having started his music lessons from his father and later from Vid. K.J. Venkatachar, currently he is learning from Vid. R.N. Taranathan. He has performed at Nadaranjini, Karnataka Ganakala Parishath and Ganabharathi and is a recipient of Balaprathibhe, Saxophone Vadana Chatura, Kala Koustubha and Kayakaratna awards.

Pavani Kashinath: She is the granddaughter of Harmonium artiste Vid. Arunachalappa. Her father Vid. Kashinath is a khanjira artiste and mother Vidu. Pushpa Kashinath a veena artiste.

She is a disciple of Vidu. Chandrika and Vidu. Neela Ramgopal. Being an A Grade artiste of AIR, she has performed in Sangeetha Sammelanas, Karnataka Ganakala Parishath, Madras Music Academy among others. She is awarded with Ganaratna, Prathibhaakankshi and Ragashri.

Raaga Taranga's anniversary



Vid. Manasanayana

Mysuru, Jan. 25 - Raaga Taranga, a music organisation founded by the well-known musician of Mysuru S.K. Vasumathi, has organised a vocal concert by **Vid. Manasanayana,** a disciple of Sangeetha Kalanidhi R.K. Srikantan and S.K. Vasumathi, on Jan. 27 (Sunday) at Jaganmohan Palace auditorium at 6 pm as part of its anniversary celebrations.

He will be accompanied by **Vid. C. A. Natarajan** on violin, **Vid. Saishivlakshmikeshav** on mridanga and **Vid. B. S. Raghunandan** on ghata.

Students of Vasumathi will also present a Bhavageethe programme on the occasion, according to a press release from Shamala Prasanna, Secretary, Raaga Taranga.

Bharatanatyam Rangapravesham of Vid. Prahlad P. Bhat

Mysuru, Jan. 25- Bharatanatyam Rangapravesha of Vid. Prahlad P. Bhat, disciple of Vidu. Vijaya Murty, has been organised at Shri Vayu Prabhara Rajatangana, Sri Krishnadhama, Saraswathipuram in city on Jan.27 at 6 pm under the aegis of Nartanashala, Dance Research Centre.

He will be accompanied by Guru Vidu. Vijaya Murty on natuvanga, Vidu. Renuka Srinivasan on vocal, Vid. R. Dasappa on mridanga, Vid. M.R. Rajesh on flute and Vid. M.R. Srikanth on violin.

Danseuse Vidu. Dr. Vasundhara Doraswamy, MLA S. A. Ramdas and Marimallappa's PU College Retd. Principal Dr. B. S. Parvatharaju will be the chief guests at the event.

Profile: Born and brought up in the cultural city of Mysuru, Prahlad P. Bhat completed his Primary Education from Ideal Jawa Rotary School and High School, PUC at Marimallappa's. Currently he is pursuing his final year B.Sc (Agriculture) at University of Agricultural Sciences (UAS), Gandhi Krishi Vignana Kendra (G.K.V.K), Bengaluru.

Son of A. Bhavani and T.K.Prakash Bhat, Prahlad is learning Bharatanatyam under the tutelage of Guru Vidushi Vijaya Murty, Director of Nartanashala, Dance Research Centre, Saraswathipuram.

He started learning Bharatanatyam at the tender age of 6. For over 15 years, Nartanashala has been his second home. He has completed his Junior, Senior, Pre Vidwat & Final Vidwat exams in first class conducted by Karnataka Secondary Education Board.

Prahlad is the proud recipient of many Awards : Kalashri-2011, Yuvashri-2014, Karnataka Kala Rathna - 2014, Sadhana Rathna Prashasthi-2014 and many more from Government of Karnataka and other institutions.

'Rotary Namana' Award conferred on Kripa Phadke

Mysuru, Jan.25 (US&MK) - Namana Kalavedike and Rotary Mysore Midtown had organised a function at Ganabharathi premises in Kuvempunagar here recently to present the 'Rotary Namana' Award to Vidu. Kripa Phadke, Founder, Nrithyagiri Academy of Performing Arts and Research Centre.

Speaking on the occasion, Pramoda Devi Wadiyar, who was the chief guest, opined that cultural activities were more in the South than North India. She said that more thrust is being given for education in the South.

She clarified that dance was the only form of art which has a much broader spectrum starting from drawing rangoli to any other small forms of art. She contended that people blessed by Goddess Saraswati have become achievers.

Speaking after receiving the award, Kripa Phadke thanked the organisers for honouring her. She opined that whatever learnt from the society should be given back through teaching which she picked up from her Guru. She added that the honour had increased her responsibility further.

Rotary Mysore Midtown President Dr. K.A. Prahlad, Secretary M.P. Gopalakrishna, Kalavedike Convenors Anuradha Nandakumar, Nimisha Nandakumar and others were present on the occasion.

Well-received performance

Mysuru, Jan.25 - Bharatanatyam, the classical dance recital by **C.N. Anita,** the renowned Bharatanatyam dancer and Guru of Nritya Vidya Peeta, Mysuru, was held at Veene Seshanna Bhavana in city recently.

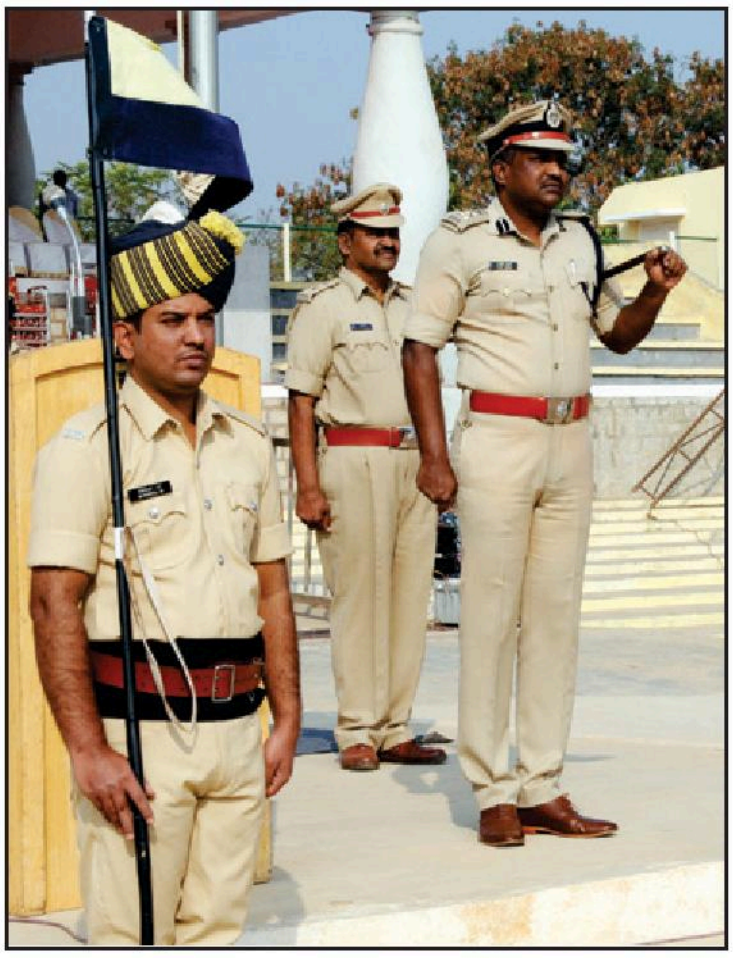
The programme, dedicated in memory of Swarna Murthy V.N. Rao, was well-received by the audience.

The artiste performed for almost two hours with a few small breaks in between.

She was supported by Vid. **Rakesh Sudheeer** on vocal, **Vid. Tumkur B. Shashishankar** on mridanga, **Vid. A.B.Krishna Prasad** on flute and **Nayana Shivaram** on natuvanga.

At the end, T.S. Venugopal, Secretary, Ganabharathi, felicitated Anita as a token of appreciation, for her graceful performance.

R-Day: Commandos join rehearsal at Bannimantap Parade Grounds



Mysuru, Jan. 25(SR)- The parade rehearsal for 70th Republic Day celebrations organised by District Administration was held at Torch Light Parade Grounds at Bannimantap here this morning.

All 23 teams comprising various units including the KSRP, City Armed Reserve, DAR, RPF, CISF, Traffic Police, Women's Police, NCC, Scouts and Guides, Bharath Seva Dal, Mounted Police, Home Guards, Excise, Forest, Fire and Emergency Services.

Police Public School, Kumbarkoppal Government High School, Deepa School, Boys Sevadal, Girls Sevadal, NCC (Army), NCC (Navy), NCC Airforce students also participated in the rehearsal. The band section comprised an ensemble from the KSRP, DAR and CAR performing patriotic numbers.

Outgoing City Police Commissioner Dr. A. Subramanyeswara Rao received the guard of honour and inspected the parade.

Panther Mysuru City Commandos armed with Romanian Pm MD series, Browning Hi Power & Glock Pistol, Bulgarian Arsenal M1F41 & OFB Excalibur Rifles presented a demo on anti-terror operation. They also exhibited their skills in VVIP rescue operations during terror attacks, drug emergencies and communally-sensitive incidents.

Various commandos performed daredevil stunts, assembling of guns blindfolded and assembling of guns using just one hand. These commandos were part of State Police's Garuda Unit.

The 25-member force will showcase their skills for the second time during Republic Day Parade on Jan.26. This full-fledged team was operational from Feb. 2018. The members of the team were drawn from various other existing Police forces and this force equipped with advanced arms and specialised training to deal with rough and hostile situations.

Inauguration

Meanwhile, the District Administration has made all preparations for the inauguration and celebration of 70th Republic Day celebrations.

Higher Education and District Minister G.T. Devegowda will hoist the Tricolour at Torch Light Parade Grounds on Jan.26 at 9 am. Tourism and Sericulture Minister S.R. Mahesh, Mayor Pushpalatha Jagannath, Deputy Mayor Shafi Ahamed, Zilla Panchayat In-charge President S.R.Nandeesh, MP Pratap Simha, MLAs S.A.Ramdas, Tanveer Sait, Dr. Yathindra Siddharamaiah, Taluk Panchayat President Kalamma Kemparamaiah, ZP Vice-President and others will be the guests.

Cultural events

MLA L. Nagendra will preside over the cultural programme organised by the District Administration on the same day at 4 pm at Kalamandira.

State Government Employees will sing patriotic songs and Nadageethe while various school and college students will perform music and dance features at the programme organised Department of Kannada and Culture.

Official presence must

Deputy Commissioner Abhiram G. Sankar has directed all District, State and Central Government officials to be present at Republic Day celebrations in Bannimantap Grounds without fail tomorrow.

Officials must sign the attendance register kept at the temporary counter opened at the Grounds.

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KSCA Navin Chandar Memorial Inter-School Cricket

Excel Public school enters final

Mysuru, Jan.25- Good performances by Abhay Rangan (65, 12x4, 1x6), Hrishab Singavi (43), Gagan R. Patel (four for 15) and Hridhay Singavi (four for 23), helped Excel Public school, Mysuru, to register a big 98-run win over Ideal Jawa Rotary School and enter the final in the KSCA Navin Chandar Memorial Inter-School cricket tournament semi-final match played at the JSS-SJCE Grounds here on Thursday.

SCORES

Semi-final: Excel Public School 196 for five in 30 overs (Abhay Rangan 65, Hrishab Singavi 43, Prakul 32 n.o, Wasim two for 27) bt Ideal Jawa Rotary School 98 in 19 overs (Kethan 23, Nishith 20, Hridhay Singavi four for 23, Gagan R. Patel four for 15).

Marimallappa HS 151 in 30 overs (Likith S. Gowda 38, M. Satwik 36, Chethan two for 14, M. J. Harsha two for 11) bt Sadvidya HS 131 in 27.2 overs (Kanishk 41 n.o, M.J. Harsha 31, S.Suman four for 15, Dhashath S. Gowda three for 21, Kamran two for 27).

Quarter-finals: St.Joseph's Central School, Vijayanagar, Mysore 114 for nine in 30 overs (C.S. Aryan Kaveriappa 51, Manohar Gowda three for 20, Sachin two for 13) lost to Sadvidya HS, Mysore 116 for five in 23.5 overs (M.J. Harsha 28 n.o, Manohar Gowda 24, Kishan two for 18).

Marimallappa HS 175 for seven in 30 overs (Likith S. Gowda 5o, S.Suman 34, N.Lingesh 27, Aryan Hegde three for 14) bt JSS Public School, (SJCE Complex) 106 in 24.2 overs (Aryan Hegde 42, R.Kalsha three for 10, Suman three for 27).

State Handball Championship for Juniors

City's Academy of Handball Excellence finishes third

Mysuru, Jan. 25- Mysuru's Handball Club Academy of Handball Excellence, J.P. Nagar, taking part in the 17th U-19 Junior State Handball Championship at Udupi won the third place in the championship.

The tournament was conducted by the Udupi District Handball Association under the aegis of the Karnataka Handball Association at Udupi from Jan. 18 to Jan. 20.

Trainees of Academy of Handball Excellence (AHE) JP Nagar participated in the tournament and secured the third place.

In the match for the third place AHE beat Belagavi District Handball Association 21-9. In the semi-finals, Mandya District Handball Association beat AHE 25-24. In the quarter-finals, AHE beat Mysore District Handball Association 17-14.

In the league matches, AHE Mysore beat Bagalkot District 26-14, beat Haveri district 30-3, beat Hassan District 23-14 and beat Dharwad District 27-12.

The handball players in the junior boys section of Academy of Handball Excellence, JP Nagar, Mysore, who finished third place in the 17th U-19 Junior Handball Championship held at Udupi from Jan.18-20, seen with the trophy. Standing from left: ***Vinos Kumar, Coach Tara Aragam, G.R. Vishwas (Captain), Pawan Kumar, Akshay, Suman, Rio, Manjunath, Murali, Sujan Karthik (Manager).*** *Sitting from left:* ***Abijith, Mihir, Jaysurya, Naveen, Kiderlang, Lohit Aradhya and Banrap seen along with Hon. Secretary M. K. Nagendra of Karnataka Handball Association (KHA) and other office-bearers of KHA and Udupi District Handball Association.***

Karate prize winners

The karatekas of Prajwal Karate Dojo (PKD), practising Mabuni Ha Shito Ryu Karate (IMSKA), have won the State-level Open Karate Championship organised by Okinawa Karate Arts Association on Jan.12 and Jan. 13. SITTING FROM LEFT: ***Riya*** *(silver in kata and kumite),* ***Karthik*** *(gold in kata),* ***Kanishka*** *(bronze in kata),* ***Rayyan*** *(gold in kata),* ***Ava*** *(gold in kata and kumite),* ***Aaban*** *(bronze in kata and kumite),* ***Vivaan*** *(silver in kata),* ***Isa*** *(gold in kata, bronze in kumite)* ***and Harmain*** *(bronze in kata). KNEELING FROM LEFT:* ***Sana*** *(gold in kumite, bronze in kata),* ***Shravan*** *(silver in kata and kumite),* ***Shraman*** *(silver in kata and kumite),* ***Vineet*** *(gold in kumite),* ***Yudhi*** *(bronze in kata and kumite),* ***Gaurav*** *(gold in kata and silver in kumite)* ***and Tanvi.*** *STANDING FROM LEFT:* ***Abhay*** *(gold in kata and kumite),* ***Ayush*** *(gold in kata, bronze in kumite),* ***Eahaan*** *(silver in kata, bronze in kumite),* ***Sensei Prajwal*** *(gold in kumite),* ***Rohit*** *(gold in kumite),* ***Jay*** *(silver in kumite)* ***and Sathvik.***

Cyclothon-19

for physical & mental health in city on Jan. 27

Mysuru, Jan. 25 (RKB&KS)- For healthy mind and body, city's Elixir organisation, in association with Exide Life Insurance and Narayana Hrudayalaya has organised 'Elixir Cyclothon -19' on Jan. 27 in city in which more than 1,000 participants are expected to take part, said Nehru Yuva Kendra District Co-ordinator M.N. Nataraj.

Addressing media persons at Pathrakarthara Bhavan here yesterday, he said that the Cyclothon will be flagged off at 6.30 am in front of Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple by Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar, the titular head of the Mysore royal family.

The cycle rally will pass through D. Devaraj Urs Road, DC Office, Metropole Circle, JLB Road, Railway Station Circle, Sayyaji Rao Road, Old Bank Road, Gandhi Square, Ashoka Road and will culminate at the main gate of the Town Hall.

He further said that about 200 Trin Trin cycles are being used and the remaining participants should bring their own bicycles. There is no entry fee and prizes. Participants would be given caps, certificates, breakfast and health check up discount letters.

MDFA 'B' Division Football League

Narrow win for Mysore Muslims FC

Mysuru, Jan. 25- A match winning goal by Mysore Muslims FC's centre-forward Rehan in the 58th minute helped their team to register a 1-0 win over KSRTC FC in the MDFA 'B ' Division football league 2018-19 for the Govindaraju Memorial Trophy played at the University Grounds here on Thursday.

RESULT

Mysore Muslims FC 1 (Rehan 58) bt KSRTC FC 0.

M. S. Palmanova ITF Men's Tennis

Vasisht, Adil duo go down in quarters

Spain, Jan.25- Mysuru lad C.Vasisht partnering with Adil Kalyanpur went down to Tuna Altuan (Tur) & Peter Bothwell (Iri) 6-3, 2-6 (10-1) in the men's doubles quarter-finals in the M. S. Palmanova 15,000$ ITF men's world tennis tourney played at Spain on Thursday.

In the pre-quarterfinals, Vasisht and Adil combined well to beat B. Daniel & Boyao Huang 6-4, 6-0 to advance further.

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TOMORROW'S MATCHES

FINALS (IST)

WOMEN'S SINGLES

4 N. Osaka **Vs** 8 P. Kvitová

2 pm

MIXED DOUBLES

3 B. Krejčíková & R. Ram **Vs** J. Smith & A. Sharma

3.15 pm

SUNDAY'S MATCH

FINALS (IST)

MEN'S DOUBLES

12 H. Kontinen & J. Peers **Vs** 5 N. Mahut & P. H. Herbert

9.30 am

AFC ASIAN CUP UAE 2019

QUARTER-FINALS (IST)
TODAY'S MATCHES

South Korea Vs Qatar	6.30 pm
UAE Vs Australia	9.30 pm

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

Vietnam (0) loses to Japan (1)

China (0) loses to Iran (3)

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Only Rs. 105 crore collected of pending Rs. 201 crore taxes

MCC pre-budget public consultation meeting held

Mysuru, Jan.25 (YDS&BCT)- The pre-budget public consultation meeting of Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) was held at the Old Council Hall on Jan. 23. Elected representatives and citizens took stock of the budgetary allocations and expenditure during 2018-19 and also discussed some of the proposals to be implemented in 2019-2020 fiscal.

At the meeting, former Mayors, Deputy Mayors and Corporators questioned the laxity adopted by officials in collecting taxes. They alleged that officials were not collecting taxes properly and this had considerably reduced the MCC revenues.

"The MCC collects Rs.12 crore as taxes every month but spends Rs.10 crore for administration, maintenance and other expenditure. How can development works be undertaken with the remaining Rs.2 crore," they questioned.

Corporator Arif Hussain said that the previous government used to release funds for the cash-strapped MCC and somehow, development works would be undertaken. "There is a deep financial crisis in the present coalition government and funds have not been released. Even the MLA grant has not been released. It is an useless exercise to wait for government grants and instead, the MCC must gear up to mobilise funds by tightening the tax collection drive," he opined.

MCC Revenue Inspector Kumar Naik told in the meeting that Rs. 210 crore taxes were pending and of this, Rs.105 crore has been collected so far. He added that the revenue structure has remained static since 2007 and the government must take steps to increase taxes so that the MCC revenue will get a boost.

Former Mayor Ayub Khan raised the issue of advertisements and said that the revenue from advertisements has stopped and earlier, the MCC used to generate crores of rupees as revenue.

He also said that many shops rented out by the MCC at Makkaji Chowk, Subhash Nagar, Boti Bazaar and other areas have remained unoccupied for years.

President of MCC Contractors Association Chandrashekharaiah complained that the contractors' dues have not been cleared by the MCC since the last three years. Rs.140 crore has to be released, he said.

Even the money spent by contractors for Dasara works have not been reimbursed and the contractors were facing difficulties as they have taken loans from banks, he said.

Former Mayor Modamani opined that special schemes must be launched in the next budget for the welfare of women. Mayor Pushpalatha Jagannath, Deputy Mayor Shafi Ahmed, MCC Commissioner K.H. Jagadeesha and others were present.

Elected unopposed as K.R. Bank Directors

Tayur Vittalamurthy N. Siddappa M.S. Arun H.V. Bhaskar M. Parvathamma

Mysuru, Jan. 25- Returning Officer H. B Bharathkumar said that five directors have been elected unopposed as Directors of Sri Krishnarajendra Co-operative Bank Ltd, Mysore. Polling for 13 Directors' posts will be held on Jan. 27. The last date for withdrawal of nominations is on Jan. 21. As there were no other nominations filed Tayur Vittalamurthy, N. Siddappa, M.S. Arun and H.V. Bhaskar were elected from general category and M. Parvathamma from women category were elected unopposed in this election, according to the returning officer.

State Budget on Feb.8

Bengaluru, Jan.25- Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy, who also holds the Finance portfolio, will present the State Budget on Feb. 8. Kumaraswamy who met Governor Vajubhai Vala at Raja Bhavan here this morning, extended an invitation to the Governor to address the joint session of the State Legislature on Feb. 6, to mark the beginning of the budget session.

During the meeting, the CM is also said to have discussed the appointment of the Chairman of Karnataka Public Service Commission (KPSC) which has become a bone of contention between the alliance partners JD(S) and the Congress.

Rider killed in collision between bikes

H.D. Kote, Jan.25 (Manju& DM)- A 40-year-old rider was killed on the spot when the bike he was riding collided head-on with another two-wheeler near Malali on H.D. Kote –Malali Road this morning.

Puttaswamy (40), of Malali and an employee of Jungle Lodges and Resorts is the deceased.

Puttaswamy was travelling for work at 8.30 am when his bike collided head-on with another bike coming in the opposite direction.

Due to the impact of the collision, Puttaswamy, who sustained serious injuries died on the spot, while Diwakar, the rider of another bike sustained injuries. The injured Diwakar was said to be transporting liquor illegally for distribution among villagers.

Angry villagers alleging that Diwakar was carrying a bag containing liquor staged a demonstration for some time and did not even allow Diwakar to be shifted to hospital. But the Police who arrived at the spot, shifted him to the hospital, it is learnt.

Beechanahalli Police, who have registered a case in this regard, are investigating.

25 acres of lake land reclaimed

Mysuru, Jan. 25 (MTY&BCT)- The Mysuru District Administration on Jan. 23 reclaimed 25 acres of lake land that had been encroached upon by farmers at Vadakanakatte between Maddur and Kallahalli at Jayapura Hobli in Mysuru taluk.

The land, spread on different survey numbers, had been originally allotted to the Irrigation Department to build a lake several years ago.

The operation was led by Tahsildar T. Ramesh Babu who said that following a series of complaints received in the past one year, an encroachment clearance drive was conducted and 25 acres of land that was being used for agriculture purpose was reclaimed.

About 15 farmers had encroached upon the lake area, with some of them developing a coconut farm.

The farmers had encroached the land and had distributed among themselves and they had opposed the District Administration's move to re-acquire the land, the Tahsildar added.

The drive was conducted amidst tight security cover with 50 Police personnel deputed for the purpose. The reclaimed land was later handed over to the department. In all, 50 acres of land had been acquired by the government several years ago and a part of the area -- 25 acres -- had been allotted to the department way back in 1960, he said.

Ramesh Babu said that the administration has planned to recover all the lake lands that have been encroached in the district and the drive will be completed by the end of February. More than 10 encroachments have been identified and the department has realised that over 30 acres of lake land have been illegally occupied and they will be cleared before the poll conduct for the Lok Sabha polls is announced, he added.

Deputy Tahsildar Kuber and Revenue Inspector Ningappa supervised the operation.

'Simha Gharjane' on Jan. 27

Mysuru, Jan. 25 (RKB&SR)- 'Simha Gharjane', a musical evening is organised by Dr. Rajkumar Musical Groups in memory of actor Dr. Vishnuvardhan on Jan. 27 at 5 pm at Town Hall in city.

Vishnuvardhan

Addressing a press conference in city yesterday, announcer Mike Chandru said that Singer Jayaram and others will render songs selected from the films of Dr. Vishnuvardhan. Former MLA S. Balaraj will inaugurate.

Former Corporator R. Somasundar will preside.

Singer Jayaram, former Corporator M.D. Parthasarathy, Suchendra, N. Suresh, Vikram Iyengar, Shivu and others were present at the press meet.

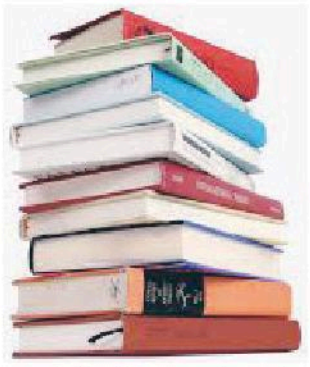
BABU'S BANTER

By M.V. Nagendra Babu

WORD OF THE DAY

Cumulate

Pronunciation: KYOO-myuh-layt.



Meaning: To gather or pile in a heap.
Origin: Cumulate and its far more common relative accumulate both come from the Latin word cumulare, meaning "to heap up." Cumulare, in turn, comes from cumulus, meaning "mass." (Cumulus functions as an English word in its own right as well. It can mean "heap" or "accumulation," or it can refer to a kind of dense puffy cloud with a flat base and rounded outlines.) Cumulate and accumulate overlap in meaning, but you're likely to find cumulate mostly in technical contexts. The word's related adjective, cumulative, however, is used more widely.
Example: The systems cumulate data over a period of years.

THE ODD WORD

Chiliad

A thousand things or a thousand years.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Card-sharp

Meaning: Skilful at playing or manipulating cards or one who makes a living by cheating at cards.

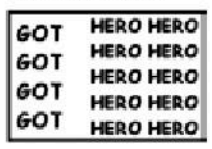
Origin: Card-sharp', sometimes written 'cardsharp', might be thought to be a misspelling of 'card-shark'. The latter is the more commonly used of the two synonymous phrases, especially outside the UK, which is one of the few countries to prefer 'card-sharp'. It is sometimes suggested that one term derived from the other. The reason for thinking that 'card-sharp' and card-shark' may be independent coinages is the existence of the two much earlier words. As mentioned above, the earliest known citations of 'card-sharp' and 'card-shark' come from the USA. The first of these is in the New York Correspondence column of the Kansas newspaper Freedom's Champion, from September 1859.
Example: He was a professional gambler and cardsharp of the early 1900.

QUOTE BOX

Yesterday I was clever, so I wanted to change the world. Today I am wise, so I am changing myself. **— Rumi**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve this rebus:



Answer: Forgotten heroes.

SUDOKU

7		5		8		6		
		4						5
			4	5				
5	1		3				8	
		6				9		
	3				7		2	6
				1	5			
6						8		
		1		9		4		7

Answer to previous puzzle

8	9	4	2	7	3	1	5	6
7	1	6	5	9	4	2	3	8
2	3	5	1	8	6	9	4	7
4	7	8	9	5	2	6	1	3
5	2	3	8	6	1	4	7	9
9	6	1	4	3	7	5	8	2
3	4	2	6	1	8	7	9	5
1	8	9	7	2	5	3	6	4
6	5	7	3	4	9	8	2	1

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

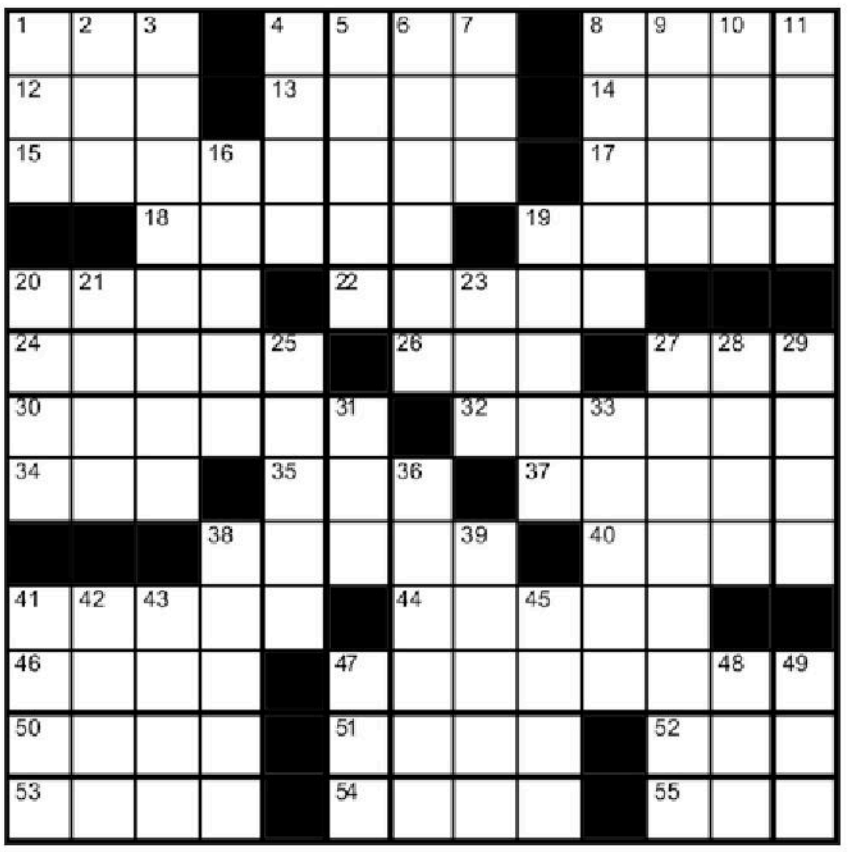
1 Is able
4 Persian monarch
8 Ex-India left-arm spinner Raghuram ___
12 17th letter of the Greek alphabet
13 As mad as a March ___ : utterly and completely mad?
14 Prefix meaning `to do with aircraft'
15 Most commonly used expression of regret? (1,2,5)
17 Payment for hiring
18 __ __ your satisfied: a conciliatory statement, in a way (1,4)
19 Tries "the glad eye"
20 Ms. Mukherjee of Bollywood
22 Balm or lotion
24 Bitter or sour
26 Female ruff
27 Place where there's a spring
30 Angelic child
32 One bereft of parents
34 Affirmative
35 The solver
37 French river
38 Domain of a king
40 Killed or slaughtered
41 Relating to a forearm bone
44 'Fiddler on the Roof' actor
46 A prudish and pompous person
47 Tedious
50 Quality of sound?
51 Mr Abdullah of J&K
52 Nought
53 Those singular items
54 Egg yellow
55 Bright and joyous?

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER:

S	A	G	S	■	R	L	G	■	V	E	N	I
W	R	A	P	■	E	X	A	M	I	N	E	R
A	N	T	I	C	L	I	M	A	C	T	I	C
M	O	T	E	L	■	■	E	T	A	H	■	■
■	■	■	L	E	E	■	T	R	U	C	E	
P	E	R	■	A	D	D	R	E	S	S	E	D
U	K	E	■	R	E	C	U	R	■	E	N	D
R	E	P	L	E	N	I	S	H	■	S	T	Y
I	D	L	E	D	■	■	K	O	S	■	■	■
■	■	A	M	O	K	■	R	I	A	N	T	
A	C	C	O	U	N	T	I	N	G	F	O	R
R	E	E	N	T	E	R	S	■	N	E	R	O
M	O	S	S	■	W	I	I	■	S	W	A	T

DOWN

1 Le Dernier __ : the last word (Fr.)
2 A cry of joy, it's said
3 Potential award winners
4 Say it and frighten the birds away?
5 Stringed musical instruments
6 An unpaid and overdue debt
7 Attention seeking greeting
8 Large flat-bottomed boat
9 Achilles' weak spot
10 British composer - "near" anagram?
11 Adds up?
16 Gather on threads
19 Series of balls in cricket
20 Fast, speedy or modern?
21 Dull pain
23 Name of many a pope?
25 Purchaser
27 Capital of Meghalaya
28 A sheet of glass
29 All over again?
31 Constricting snake
33 Mexican dollars
36 In the previous month
38 Fits of anger
39 Righteous, upright and virtuous
41 As far as (2,2)
42 Scientology founder, Hubbard (1,3)
43 Possession is ___ points of the law?
45 Informal goodie given on top of salary
47 A child's plaything
48 Missing in action in short
49 East Anglian city



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

JX HCC LHTX BODXRYOL XREWYL OE XRQWDX

OLX FMBNEDOWRXB EN EOLXDB

TODAY'S CLUE: J EQUALS W

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: An expert is a person who has made all the mistakes that can be made in a very narrow field.

NOW SHOWING

Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
KANNADA			
Seetharama Kalyana	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
	Mahadeshwara	9986022634	4 Shows
	Woodlands	2422871	4 Shows
Supplementary	Olympia	2420737	4 Shows
	Padma	2521923	2 Shows
Missed Call	Prabha	2423569	4 Shows
KGF	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
	Sangam	2520494	4 Shows
HINDI			
Manikarnika	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
	Sterling	2481170	4 Shows
TAMIL			
Charlie Chaplin -2	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows
	Lido	2420885	4 Shows
Viswasam	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
Petta	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
TELUGU			
F2 – Fun & Frustration	Padma	2521923	2 Shows
Mr. Majnu	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows
---	Uma	2520009	4 Shows

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URI - The Surgical Strike (H)	(S-1)	10.20 am, 4.15 pm 7.05 pm, 9.50 pm
KGF (K)	(S-1)	1.10 pm
Manikarnika - The Queen of Jhansi (H)	(S-2)	10.20 am, 4.00 pm 7.00 pm, 9.55 pm
Charlie Chaplin -2 (Ta)	(S-2)	1.15 pm
Seetharama Kalyana (K)	(S-3)	10.00 am
	(S-4)	10 am, 1.00 pm, 4.00 pm 7.00 pm, 9.55 pm
Thackeray (H)	(S-3)	1.05 pm, 7.00 pm
Mr. Majnu (Te)	(S-3)	4.00 pm
Irupathiyonnam Noottandu (Ma)	(S-3)	9.50 pm

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Manikarnika - The Queen of Jhansi (H)

	(S-1)	9.45 am, 12.40 pm, 3.45 6.50 pm, 9.55 pm
Seetharama Kalyana (K)	(S-1)	12.35 pm, 9.40 pm
	(S-2)	6.40 pm
	(S-3)	9.45 am, 3.35 pm
Thackeray (H)	(S-4)	10.00 am, 7 pm
KGF (K)	(S-4)	12.50 pm
Mr. Majnu (H)	(S-4)	4.00 pm
URI - The Surgical Strike (H)	(S-2)	9.40 am, 3.45 pm, 9.50
	(S-3)	6.45 pm
Charlie Chaplin -2 (Ta)	(S-4)	12.55 pm
Irupathiyonnam Noottandu (Ma)	(S-4)	9.55 pm

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Seetharama Kalyana (K)	8.55 am, 12.10 pm, 3.25 pm, 6.40 pm
Manikarnika - The Queen of Jhansi (H)	9 am, 12.15 pm, 3.30 pm, 6.45 pm 10 pm
URI - The Surgical Strike (H)	9.20 am, 12.35 pm, 3.35 9.50 pm
Thackeray (H)	9.35 am, 12.20 pm, 6.35 pm
KGF (K)	3.35 pm
Mr. Majnu (Te)	6.50 pm
Irupathiyonnaam Noottaandu (Ma)	9.55 pm
Charlie Chaplin 2 (Ta)	10.00 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

EVENTS TODAY (JAN.25)

Sahara Art and Crafts: Shopping Festival, Exhibition-cum-Sale, Scouts and Guides Grounds, **up to 9.30 pm.**

Rotary Mysore School and Rotary Mysore Thulir School, Dattagalli: Hasya Sanje by Sudha Baraguru, PDG Rtn. M. Lakshminarayan chief guest, GM Thejkumar guest of honour, Rotary Mysore School premises, **6 pm.**

Rangayaana Trust and Department of Kannada & Culture: *Bharata Ranga - 2*, Folk and Theatre songs by students of Folklore Research Centre, KIKS, **5.30 pm;** retd. IPS Officer Kempaiah inaugurates, Shaktidhama President Geetha Shivarajkumar chief guest, Women and Child Welfare Deputy Director K. Radha, Kannada and Culture Assistant Director H. Chennappa, KIKS Folklore Department's Dr. Nanjaiah Honganuru, Shaktidhama Secretary Jayadev, Rajeshwari Vasthralankara's B.M. Ramachandra and Rangayaana Trust President Vikas Chandra, will be present, **6.30 pm;** staging of Haadi Kala Pratishtana's play *Panjara Shale* by Shaktidhama children, Direction by Prashanth B. Madarasana Koppa, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **7 pm.**

Athri Natya Kala Kendra Trust: Rasarishi Nrithya Namana - presentation of dance to the compositions of poet Kuvempu, Direction - Vidu. Nayana Shivaram, former Mysore Varsity VC Prof. J. Shashidhara Prasad, chief guest, Ganabharathi, Kuvempunagar, **6.30 pm.**

Sri Ganapati Mithra Mandali: Staging of historical play *Sangolli Rayanna*, Saptharshi Souharda Co-op. Society Director N. Nagachandra inaugurates, Kannada Kriya Samithi Secretary S.K. Sudarshan presides, Kannada and Culture Assistant Director H. Chennappa and Mysuru Nagara Kalavidara Sangha Working President N. Basavegowda, chief guests, Bendre Open Air Theatre, Nrupatunga Kannada School, E&F Block, Ramakrishnanagar, **6 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (JAN.26)

Sri Chandramouleshwara Swamy Temple: Sri Kalabhairava Swamy Sannidhi Prana Pratishtapana Mahotsava, Rakshoghna Homa, **6 pm;** Bhajans by Sri Sai Bhajan Mandali, temple premises, V.V. Mohalla, **6 pm to 7.30 pm.**

Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama: '*Viveka Vybhava — Geetha-Vaachana-Nirupana*' programme based on Swami Vivekananda's preachings and *Mukthaka* literature, direction by Vidu. Dharithri Ananda Rao, music by Ipsitha A. Rao and Vapusha A. Rao accompanied by Ravishankar on keyboard and Kumar on tabla, Swami Shambhavanandaji memorial auditorium, Ashrama premises, Yadavagiri, **5.30 pm to 6.50 pm.**

Rangayaana Trust and Department of Kannada & Culture: *Bharata Ranga - 2*, Louis Braille birth anniversary celebrations by Aksha Bharath Mission troupe, **6 pm;** Staging of the play *Huli Thappisikondide* by Rangayaana troupe, Direction by Vikas Chandra, co-direction by Nagarjuna Aradhya, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **7 pm.**

EVENTS ON SUNDAY (JAN.27)

Sri Chandramouleshwara Swamy Temple Charitable Trust: Sri Kalabhairava Swamy Sannidhi Prana Pratishtapana Mahotsava, Punyaha, Naandi, Kalasha Sthapane, Tatvanyasadi Shoodhasha Kala Aavahane, Navagraha Purassara Vastu Homa, **8.30 am to 11.30 am,** Jala, Ksheera, Dhaanya, Ratna, Pushpa Shayadivaasa, Vigraha Pratishte, **6 pm to 8.30 pm;** Bhajans by Sri Nada Vijyashri troupe, temple premises, V.V. Mohalla, **6 pm to 7.30 pm.**

Rangavahini, Chamarajanagar and Ganasuma Musical Group: Releasing of Ganasuma Pattasomanahalli's book *Mahisha Mandala Madhyadolage* - a collection of poems, progressive thinker Dinesh Amin Mattu releases the book, Researcher Vijaya Mahesh presides, Researcher Talakadu Chikkarangegowda speaks on the book, Maneyangala, Kalamandira premises, **9.30 am.**

Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama: Swami Vivekananda's 157th birth anniversary, Rudraprashna - **5.15 am,** Sri Vivekananda Prabhatapranjali - **5.20 am,** Mangalarati - **5.30 am,** Special puja - **7.30 am,** Shivasahasranama Parayana - **8 am,** Bhajans - **9 am,** Reading from Complete works of Swami Vivekananda - **10.35 am,** Arati - **10.45 am,** Homa - **11 am,** Prasada distribution - **12 noon,** Bhajans by Sri Sharada Samvit Bhajana Mandali - **4.30 pm to 5.30 pm,** Vedic chanting - **5.30 pm to 6 pm,** Discourse in Kannada on 'Swami Vivekananda's extraordinary personality' - **6 pm to 6.50 pm,** Arati, Special Bhajans, Ashrama premises, Yadavagiri, **7 pm to 8 pm.**

Sri Paramahamsa Mahavidyalaya Trust, Freakerzzz Dance Academy and Indian TV: Sri Swami Vivekananda birth anniversary, valedictory of second batch of Yoga Teachers Training camp and welcoming the third batch, MLA L. Nagendra inaugurates, Trust President & International Yoga Trainer Shivaprakash Guruji presides, *Indian TV* MD S. Venkatesh distributes certificates, Freakerzzz Dance Academy premises, near Akshay Bhandar, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm.**

Rangayaana Trust and Department of Kannada & Culture: *Bharata Ranga - 2*, Painting expo and contest for children, **11 am to 1 pm;** Tribal dance by Jenu Kuruba artistes (Troupe- Ammalamma Kala troupe - Sode Dimmi Nagarahole), **6 pm to 6.45 pm;** Valedictory programme, Vasu Dixit of Bengaluru Swarathma Folk-Fusion Band, P. Kalpana, Manager, LabourNet Association, Bengaluru, Dr. S. Venkataramu, Principal, Mahajana First Grade College and Kumaraswamy, Mysuru District Child Protection Officer, chief guests, **6.45 pm;** Staging of the play *Mooru Kaasina Sangeetha Nataka* by Mahajana First Grade College students, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira, **7.30 pm.**

Natya Sangeethalaya Research Institute and Dept. of Kannada and Culture: *Nrutya Sangeethotsava-2019*, Kannada and Culture Assistant Director H. Chennappa, chief guest, former MLA M.K. Somashekar presides, felicitation to Musician Vidu. H.S. Yadugiri and Vidu. Lalitha N. Rao of Shanthala Nritya Kalaniketana, Karnatak classical music by Institute students, directed by Vid. K. Guruprasad, Bharatanatyam by Vidu. Dimple, Director of Krishne School of Dance, Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **5.30 pm.**

Natana School of Theatre Arts: Staging of Dr. T. Govindaraju's play *Taataa Mataadu* by Natana school students, directed by theatre person Ramu, School premises, Ramakrishnanagar, **6.30 pm.**

R-DAY EVENTS (JAN.26)

District Administration: Hoisting of National Flag by District Minister G.T. Devegowda, Torch Light Parade Grounds, Bannimantap, **9 am;** Cultural programmes, Kalamandira, **4 pm.**

Directorate of Student Welfare, University of Mysore: Hoisting of flag by Varsity VC Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar, near Crawford Hall, **7.30 am.**

Sarada Vilas Educational Institutions: Flag hoisting by President B.S. Parthasarathy, former VC of Bangalore University Prof. H.A. Ranganath chief guest, Institution Grounds, Krishnamurthypuram, **8 am.**

Sri Ramakrishna Seva Sangha, Ramakrishna Vidyakendra, RKVK Composite PU College: Annual Day and R-Day, JSS Women's College retd. Principal Prof. P. Mallikarjuna Shetty, chief guest; Karnataka Milk Federation retd. Accountant K. Vaagdevi distributes prizes; Sangha President M. Papegowda presides, Vidyakendra premises, Ramakrishnanagar, **8 am.**

Vishwamanava Vidyanikethana Trust: Flag hoisting by Reginald Wesley, retd. Officer, Special Protection Group (SPG), Marlabs Head K.C. Chennakeshava distributes prizes, Corporator R.K. Sharath Kumar presides, school premises, Ramakrishnanagar, **8.30 am.**

Mahajana Educational Institutions: Prof. Morabada Mallikarjuna, Director, College Education, JSS Mahavidyapeetha, chief guest, Institutions President R. Vasudevamurthy presides, Jagadeesh Prasad stadium, Jayalakshmipuram, **9 am.**

Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Research & Extension Centre, University of Mysore: Special lecture and open interaction on '*Ganarajyada Parikalpane, Mahatva mattu Prastuta Savalugalu: Bharathada Sandharbha*', Varsity VC Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar inaugurates, Prof. V.S. Sridhar, progressive thinker and retd. Professor of National Law School of India University, Bengaluru, delivers special lecture, Varsity Registrar (Evaluation) Prof. J. Somashekar presides, Centre Co-ordinator Dr. S. Narendra Kumar speaks on the occasion, Centre premises, Manasagangothri, **11 am.**

Mysuru District and City Freedom Fighters Association: Hoisting of flag, Freedom Fighters Park, Subbarayana Kere premises, **11 am.**

Karnataka Dalita Vedike: Seminar on 'Constitution and Democracy', Prakash Bantheji of Mahabodhi Mission, graces the occasion, High Court senior Advocate H. Mohan Kumar inaugurates, Urilinga Peddi Mutt Seer presides, special lectures by Prof. B.P. Mahesh Chandra Guru and Bengaluru Planning Department Joint Director D. Chandrashekaraiah, music programme by Lakshmiram and troupe, Hotel Govardhana auditorium, Sri Harsha Road, **2 pm.**

Kannada Para Sanghataneya Nagarika Hitarakshana Vedike: R-Day, felicitation and conferring of *Dhruva Thare* and *Chetana* awards to senior journalists Amshi Prasanna Kumar and K.J. Mariyappa, former Mayor Sandesh Swamy, City BJP leader B.P. Manjunath and others chief guests, No. 4658, Hombamma Siddegowda's residence, Shivaji Road, 3rd Cross, N.R. Mohalla, **5 pm.**

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HINDI URI - 10:45 AM, 1:30 PM, 7:00 PM & 9:45 PM
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